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JOURNAL

OF THE

Twenty-seventh Annual Council

1899.

EMBRACING

THE OFFICIAL DETAILS

OF THE

ELECTION AND CONSECRATION

OF

BISHOP-COADIUTOR.

Special Offerings

**Recommended by the Council and the Dates
on which they shall be made.**

DIOCESAN MISSIONS, on the first Sunday in Lent, and on
Trinity Sunday.

EPISCOPATE FUND, on Septuagesima Sunday, or on Easter
Day.

**AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY, and WIDOWS AND ORPHANS
OF DECEASED CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE**, on National
Thanksgiving Day.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, on
the first Sunday in Advent.

DARDANELLE CHURCH PROPERTY, an annual collection
until debt is extinguished.

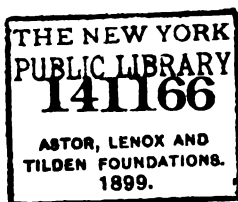
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Twenty-Seventh Annual Council
OF THE
DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS,

HELD IN
TRINITY CATHEDRAL, LITTLE ROCK,
May 3, 4, and 5, A. D. 1899.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED
Parochial and Diocesan Reports, Appendixes, Standing
Resolutions, Etcetera.

TOGETHER WITH
The Official Details of the Election and Consecration
of Bishop-Coadjutor.

**LITTLE ROCK, ARK.:
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1899.**



OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE.

Bishop.

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Bishop-Coadjutor.

The Right Rev. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY BROWN, D. D.,
1009 Arch Street, Little Rock.

Standing Committee.

The Rev. CHAS. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D., President.

The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE, B. D., Secretary.

The Rev. W. D. BUCKNER.

Mr. P. K. ROOTS.

Mr. JOS. A. REEVES.

Secretary.

Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Marianna.

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815 Rock Street, Little Rock.

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Chancellor.

The Hon. WILLIAM G. WHIPPLE,
415 Scott Street, Little Rock.
(Term expires in 1900.)

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Mr. S. S. FAULKNER,
Helena.

Trustees of the University of the South.

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(Term expires in 1901.)

Mr. R. B. RANCROFT (1901).

Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT (1900).

Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. JAMES J. VAULX, B. D.
(Term expires in 1901.)

Examining Chaplains.

Rev. A. W. PIERCE.

Rev. R. W. RHAMES.

Rev. J. J. VAULX.

Deputies to the General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.	Mr. JOS. A. REEVES.
The Rev. JAS. J. VAULX, B. D.	Mr. P. K. ROOTS.
The Rev. D. B. RAMSEY.	Mr. SAMUEL S. FAULKNER.
The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE.	Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT.

Substitutes for Deputies to the General Convention.

In the order of their election.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. CALEB B. K. WEED.	Mr. R. V. McCRACKEN.
The Rev. RICHARD S. JAMES, D. D.	Mr. R. B. BANCROFT.
The Rev. WALTER D. BUCKNER.	Mr. N. B. TRULOCK.
The Rev. R. W. RHAMES.	Mr. ED F. FURNER.

Delegates to the Missionary Council.

Appointed at General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.	Mr. P. K. ROOTS.
The Rev. JAMES J. VAULX, B. D.*	Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT.
Elected by the Council 1899.	
The Rev. R. W. RHAMES.	Mr. JOS. A. REEVES.

* Appointed by the Bishop to fill vacancy caused by removal of Rev. W. T. Allen from the Diocese.

Committee on Judiciary.

Hon. WM. G. WHIPPLE, President.
Mr. JOHN GATLING.
Mr. GUSTAVE JONES.

Board of Managers for Diocesan Missions.

Clerical.

The Right Rev. HENRY NILES PIERCE, D. D., LL. D., President.
The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.
The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE, B. D.
The Rev. W. D. BUCKNER.

Lay.

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Mr. N. B. TRULOCK, Secretary.
Mr. JOHN GATLING.

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The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE, Little Rock Convocation.
The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D., Helena Convocation.
The Rev. JAS. J. VAULX, Fort Smith Convocation.

Preacher of Council Sermon.

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Alternate.

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CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE.

Bishop.

The Right Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., LL. D., Little Rock.

Bishop-Coadjutor.

Right Rev. Wm. Montgomery Brown, D. D.....Little Rock.
Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rector of Trinity.....Pine Bluff.
Rev. Wm. Cross.....Canonically resident.
Rev. I. P. Daniels, Rector of St. Philip's.....Little Rock.
Rev. Geo. W. Flowers.....Canonically resident.
Rev. Richard S. James, D. D., St. James's.....Eureka Springs.
Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood, B. D., Rector of St. John's.....Helena.
Rev. A. W. Pierce, Rector of Grace, Washington; St. James's,
Prescott; Church of Redeemer, Nashville; Post Office, Little Rock.
Rev. D. B. Ramsey, Rector of St. John's.....Camden.
Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rector of St. Paul's.....Newport.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D., Rector of Christ Church..Little Rock.
Rev. D. L. Trimble, B. D.....Pine Bluff.
Rev. James J. Vaulx, B. D., Rector of St. Paul's.....Fayetteville.
Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Rector of St Paul's.....Batesville.

(Officiating, but not Canonically Resident.)

Rev. Wm. G. Coote.....Hot Springs.
Rev. I. M. Merlinjones.....Morrilton.
Rev. P. P. Boland.....Hope.

Candidates for Holy Orders.

C. E. Byers.....Little Rock.

RECTORIES.

St. Paul's.....Batesville.
St. Paul's.....Dardanelle.
St. John's.....Fort Smith.
Trinity Cathedral.....Little Rock.
Christ Church.....Little Rock.
St. Philip's.....Little Rock.
St. Andrew's.....Mammoth Spring.
Trinity.....Van Buren.
St. John's.....Camden.
St. Paul's.....Fayetteville.
St. John's.....Helena.
St. Paul's.....Newport.
Trinity.....Pine Bluff.
Grace.....Washington.
St. Andrew's.....Marianna.
St. Agnes's.....Morrilton.

ELECTION AND ACCEPTANCE OF BISHOP-COADIUTOR.

DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS IN CONVENTION.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND
OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

Testimony from the members of the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, recommending the Rev. William Montgomery Brown for consecration:

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that William Montgomery Brown is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we do, in our conscience, believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the office of a Bishop to the honor of God, and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

CLERGY.

D. B. RAMSEY, St. John's, Camden.

JAS. J. VAULX, St. Paul's, Fayetteville.

W. T. ALLEN, St. John's, Fort Smith.

DOUGLAS IRVINE HOBBS, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

RICHARD S. JAMES, Eureka Springs.

WM. CROSS, St. Luke's, Hot Springs.

G. GORDON SMEADE, Trinity, Pine Bluff.

G. W. FLOWERS, Trinity, Van Buren.

E. J. P. B. WILLIAMS, Jonesboro.

I. P. DANIELS, St. Philip's.

JOHN GASS, Christ Church, Little Rock.

D. L. TRIMBLE.

JAMES WALTER KEEBLE, St. Paul's, Batesville, and St. Paul's, Newport.

C. H. LOCKWOOD, St. John's, Helena.

JAMES NOBLE, St. Andrew's, Marianna; Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

A. W. PIERCE, Washington.

LAY DELEGATES.

JAS. H. HAMILTON, St. John's, Fort Smith.

E. F. FURNER, St. John's, Fort Smith.

LANCELOT MINOR, St. Paul's, Newport.

GUSTAVE JONES, St. Paul's, Newport.

C. T. COFFMAN, Christ Church, Little Rock.

DAN W. JONES, Christ Church, Little Rock.

W. FULTON WRIGHT, Christ Church, Little Rock.

P. O. THWEATT, Helena.

S. S. FAULKNER, Helena.

J. A. REEVES, St. John's, Camden.

J. N. YOUNG, St. John's, Camden.

H. G. SMITH, St. John's, Camden.

DAY MILLS, Trinity, Pine Bluff.

N. B. TRULOCK, Trinity, Pine Bluff.

CHAS. D. JAMES, St. James's, Eureka Springs.

GEO. MILLER, Trinity, Van Buren.

H. C. FABER, Trinity, Van Buren.

G. G. LATTA, St. Luke's, Hot Springs.

RICHARD B. BANCROFT, St. Luke's, Hot Springs.

J. C. FITZHUGH, Batesville.

J. P. DUNHAM, St. Andrew's, Marianna.

D. S. CLARK, St. Andrew's, Marianna.

JOHN M. DAGGETT, St. Andrew's, Marianna.

SAM SPIGHT, St. Philip's, Little Rock.

P. K. ROOTS, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

C. D. HEMING, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

WM. G. WHIPPLE, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

Signed at a special session of the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Arkansas, held at Trinity Cathedral, in the city of Little Rock, on Wednesday, December 1, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Attest:

H. N. PIERCE, Bishop of Arkansas,

President of the Council.

JOHN M. DAGGETT,

Secretary of the Council.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Ark., December 1, 1897.

The Venerable Wm. M. Brown, Galion, Ohio:

We, the committee appointed by the Special Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, convened in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, on the 1st day of December, 1897, for the purpose of electing a Coadjutor-Bishop, take pleasure in giving official notice that you were elected on the first ballot.

In sending this notice, the committee desire to urge upon you the importance of the work to which the Diocese calls you, and we venture to hope that such consideration may lead to your acceptance.

C. H. LOCKWOOD,

D. B. RAMSEY,

G. G. LATTA,

Committee.

Cleveland, Ohio, December 16, 1897.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D., Helena, Ark.:

Rev. and Dear Sir—The official communication signed by the committee appointed by the Special Council of the Diocese of Arkansas to notify me of my election to the Coadjutor-Episcopate of that Diocese was duly received and acknowledged.

I am now prepared, after my return from Arkansas, in which nearly a week has been devoted to conferences, to say that if the requisite number of the Bishops and Standing Committees approve of your Council's action, I will, and hereby do, accept the call.

The work to be done impresses me as being exceedingly great, and the resources are apparently very inadequate; but relying on the co-operation of your Clergy and Laity, who evidently have the expansion and development of the Church at heart, and on God's blessing upon our endeavors, I will do what I can to help you all, and so far as possible, to relieve your beloved and venerable Bishop of the burdens which of late have been too heavy for him to bear.

Thanking you and the committee for your many kindnesses, I am faithfully yours,

WM. M. BROWN.

ORDER

FOR THE

CONSECRATION

OF THE

Venerable William Montgomery Brown,

ARCHDEACON OF OHIO,

AS

BISHOP-COADIUTOR

OF THE

DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST,

JUNE 24, 1898.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

CONSECRATORS.

The Right Reverend William Edward McLaren, D. D.,
D. C. L.,
Bishop of Chicago.

The Right Reverend Cortlandt Whitehead, D. D.,
Bishop of Pittsburg.

The Right Reverend Boyd Vincent, D. D.,
Bishop-Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.

PREACHER.

The Right Reverend Edward Robert Atwill, D. D.,
Bishop of West Missouri.

PRESENTERS.

The Right Reverend George Franklin Seymour, D. D.,
LL. D.,
Bishop of Springfield.

The Right Reverend William Andrew Leonard, D. D.,
Bishop of Ohio.

ATTENDING PRESBYTERS.

The Reverend David Felix Davies, D. D.,
Professor of Systematic Divinity Bexley Hall, Gambier, Ohio.

The Very Reverend Douglas Irvine Hobbs,
Dean of the Little Rock Convocation, Diocese of Arkansas.

DEPUTY REGISTRAR.

The Venerable Frederick W. Taylor, D. D.,
Archdeacon of Springfield.

ORDER OF SERVICE.

Processional—

“Onward, Christian soldiers.”

THE HOLY COMMUNION.

Kyrie.....Monk in C.

Gloria Tibi.....Tallis.

Hymn—“The heavenly King must come.”

Nicene Creed.

The Sermon.

Hymn—“Glorious things of thee are spoken.”

THE CONSECRATION OF THE BISHOP.

After the Sermon the Elected Bishop, vested with his Rochet, shall be presented by two Bishops unto the Presiding Bishop, sitting in his chair, near the Holy Table.

Then shall the Presiding Bishop demand testimonials of the person presented for Consecration, and shall cause them to be read, which were as follows:

THE COMMISSION TO CONSECRATE.

To the Right Reverend William Edward McLaren, D. D., D. C. L.,
Bishop of the Diocese of Chicago, and the

Right Reverend Cortlandt Whitehead, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese
of Pittsburg, and the

Right Reverend Boyd Vincent, D. D., Bishop-Coadjutor of the Dio-
cese of Southern Ohio:

Brethren beloved in the Lord—In accordance with the provisions of Title 1, Canon 19, section 3 (1), I herewith communicate to you the testimonials of the Reverend William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop-Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Arkansas; and I do further make request that you, associating with yourselves such other Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States as to you may seem good, will proceed to ordain and consecrate the

said Bishop-Coadjutor-elect, at Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, on St. John Baptist Day, to the office of a Bishop in the Church of God, according to the form of ordaining and consecrating a Bishop established and used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

In testimony of all which I have hereunto set my hand and caused my official seal to be affixed, at Middletown, in the Diocese of Connecticut, this eighth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in the forty-second year of my consecration.

(Seal.)

J. WILLIAMS,
Presiding Bishop, Etc.

A true copy.

Attest: SAMUEL HART,
Secretary of the House of Bishops.

CANONICAL CERTIFICATES.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE.

To be read by John M. Daggett, Esquire, Secretary of the Diocese of Arkansas.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF THE VENERABLE WILLIAM MONTGOMERY BROWN, TO BE BISHOP-COAJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

This is to certify that the Bishop of Arkansas having requested in writing, on the ground of old age, that a Bishop-Coadjutor be elected, and having in such request stated the duties which he would assign to the Bishop-Coadjutor, when duly elected and consecrated, the Special Session of the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, assembled in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, on Wednesday, the 1st day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-seven, did elect the Venerable William Montgomery Brown, to be Bishop-Coadjutor of the said Diocese, in accordance with the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, and the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America.

Attest:

HENRY NILES PIERCE, Bishop of Arkansas,
President Ex-Officio of the Council.

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary of the Council.

Diocese of Arkansas, December 1, 1897.

CERTIFICATE OF CONSENTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES.

To be read by the Very Reverend C. H. Lockwood, B. D., President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Arkansas and Dean of the Helena Convocation.

The Most Reverend John Williams, D. D., LL. D., Presiding Bishop of the American Church:

By the authority of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Arkansas, I hereby certify that a majority of the Standing Committees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America has given consent to the consecration of the Venerable William Montgomery Brown, and herewith I furnish the testimonials and evidence as required by Title 1, Canon 19, section 3 (1) of the Digest.

C. H. LOCKWOOD,
President of the Standing Committee.

Attest:

DOUGLAS I. HOBBS,
Secretary.

Diocese of Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., May 19, 1898.

The Standing Committees of the following named Dioceses gave their consent of the Rev. William Montgomery Brown, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Arkansas:

California.	Western Michigan.	Southern Ohio.
Chicago.	Minnesota.	Iowa.
East Carolina.	New York.	Colorado.
Los Angeles.	Pennsylvania.	Arkansas.
Oregon.	Mississippi.	Maine.
Fond du Lac.	Rhode Island.	Pittsburg.
Milwaukee.	Kansas.	West Missouri.
Springfield.	Newark.	South Carolina.
Quincy.	Connecticut.	Indiana.
Texas.	Long Island.	Dallas.
Marquette.	Western New York.	Central New York.
Central Pennsylvania.	Florida.	Delaware.
West Virginia.	Ohio.	

From the Record.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART,
Secretary of the House of Bishops.

CERTIFICATE OF EPISCOPAL CONSENTS.

To be read by the Right Reverend Charles Reuben Hale, D. D.,
LL. D., Bishop of Cairo.

The following named Bishops, being a majority and more than a majority of the Bishops of this Church residing in the United States, have consented to the Consecration to the office of a Bishop in the Church of God of the Rev. William Montgomery Brown, Bishop-Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Arkansas:

The Bishops of

Connecticut.	Montana.	West Missouri.
Rhode Island.	Pittsburg.	Milwaukee.
Minnesota.	Mississippi.	Coadjutor of
Maine.	New York.	Springfield.
Missouri.	Nebraska.	Texas.
Virginia.	Florida.	Spokane.
Oregon.	Coadjutor of	Southern Florida.
Long Island.	Minnesota.	Oklahoma.
Albany.	Central Pennsylvania.	Indian Territory.
Pennsylvania.	Western Texas.	South Carolina.
Arkansas.	Nevada.	Tennessee.
New Hampshire.	Utah.	Indiana.
Colorado.	Western Colorado.	Kansas.
Dallas.	Coadjutor of	Washington.
Kentucky.	Southern Ohio.	Marquette.
New Jersey.	Fond du Lac.	Duluth.
Southern Ohio.	Ohio.	Coadjutor of
Chicago.	Michigan.	Connecticut.
Quincy.	The Platte.	Coadjutor of
Springfield.	California.	Rhode Island.
Newark.		

JOHN WILLIAMS,
Presiding Bishop.
By WM. CROSWELL DOANE,
Assessor.

June 9, A. D. 1898.

I do hereby certify that a majority of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States have consented to the ordination and consecration of the Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop-Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Arkansas, to the office of a Bishop in the Church of God.

JOHN WILLIAMS,
Presiding Bishop.

Middletown, Conn., June 10, 1898.
From the Record.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART,
Secretary of the House of Bishops.

Promise of Conformity by the Bishop-elect; the Litany, and the Examination.

Then shall the Bishop-elect put on the rest of the Episcopal habit.

Anthem.....Macfarren.

O taste and see how gracious is the Lord,
Blessed is the man that trusteth in Him.

Veni, Creator Spiritus.....Ancient Plain Song.

Then the Presiding Bishop and Bishops present shall lay their Hands upon the Head of the Elected Bishop kneeling before them, the Presiding Bishop saying:

Receive the Holy Ghost for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. And remember that thou stir up the grace of God, which is given thee by this imposition of our hands; for God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and love, and soberness.

Then the Presiding Bishop shall deliver him the Bible, saying:

Give heed unto reading, exhortation, and doctrine. Think upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereby may be manifest unto all men; for by so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf; feed them, devour them not. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, seek the lost. Be so merciful, that you be not too remiss; so minister discipline that you forget not mercy; that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, you may receive the never-fading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory.

(Offering to be appropriated to the Arkansas Church and Rectory Building Fund.)

The Anthem (Saint Paul).....Mendelssohn.

How lovely are the messengers that
preach us the gospel of peace. To all
the nations is gone forth the sound of
their words, throughout all the lands
their glad tidings.

Presentation of the Alms.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him, all creatures here below!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Sanctus.....Monk in C.

Hymn—"Bread of the world."

Gloria in Excelsis.....Old Chant.

Recessional—

"On our way rejoicing."



JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Twenty-seventh Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas convened at Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, on Wednesday, May 3, 1899, at 11 o'clock a. m.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese; Rev. James J. Vaulx, B. D., read the Epistle, and Bishop-Coadjutor Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., the Gospel.

In place of the sermon, the Bishop read his annual address.

(See Appendix I.)

After service the Council was called to order by the Bishop, as President.

The Secretary called the roll of Clergy, and the following were found present:

Rt. Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., LL. D.; Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D.; Rev. W. D. Buckner; Rev. I. P. Daniels; Rev. Richard S. James, D. D.; Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood, B. D.; Rev. A. W. Pierce; Rev. D. B. Ramsey; Rev. R. W. Rhames; Rev. G. Gordon Smeade; Rev. James J. Vaulx, Rev. C. B. K. Weed.

Absent: Rev. Wm. Cross, and Rev. G. W. Flowers (canonically resident only), and Rev. D. L. Trimble.

The President appointed Rev. G. Gordon Smeade and Rev. C. B. K. Weed a Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates.

Roll of Parishes and Missions was called for certificates of Lay Delegates, which were referred to the Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

ROLL OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS AND LAY DELEGATES.

Batesville—St. Paul's.

Delegates.

Hamilton S. Coleman
J. Conway Fitzhugh
John T. Warner

Alternates.

Harvey L. Minikin
John W. Ferrill
Dr. Wm. Lawrence

Brinkley—St. Luke's Mission.

Delegates.

T. Harry Jackson

Alternates.

Samuel Thompson

Camden—St. John's.

Delegates.

Edward Schicker
Hamilton G. Smith
James R. Young

Alternates.

Joseph A. Reeves
P. Lynch Lee
S. O. Sevier

Eureka Springs—St. James's.

(Not Represented.)

Fayetteville—St. Paul's.

Delegate.

R. V. McCracken

Forrest City—Good Shepherd.

Delegate.

John Gatling

Fort Smith—St. John's.

Delegate.

E. F. Furner

Helena—St. John's.

Delegates.

P. O. Thweatt
C. H. Purvis
S. S. Faulkner

Alternates.

M. E. West
G. Quarles
J. B. Pillow

Hope—St. Mark's.

Delegate.

John D. Barlow

Hot Springs—St. Luke's.

(Not Represented.)

Jonesboro—St. Mark's Mission.

(Not Represented.)

Little Rock—Trinity Cathedral.

Delegates.	Alternates.
P. K. Roots	Dr. J. W. Beldeman
A. F. Adams	Chas. H. Lincoln
W. A. Cook	Thomas Yeakle

Christ Church.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Wm. G. Whipple	Robt. Wait
C. T. Coffman	Frank M. Jefferson
J. W. Goodwin	Wm. A. Cantrell

St. Phillip's.

Delegates.
Adolphus W. Cole
John A. Buchanan
Abraham H. Dixon

Mammoth Spring—Mission.

(Not Represented.)

Marianna—St. Andrew's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
F. N. Burke	J. P. Dunham
D. S. Clark	J. F. Rankin
John M. Daggett	W. G. Barnes

Morrilton—St. Agnes's.

(Not Represented.)

Nashville—Church of the Redeemer.

(Not Represented.)

Newport—St. Paul's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Lancelot Minor	B. M. Crow
Gustave Jones	B. B. Bond
John T. Flynn	Thomas Cardwell

Pine Bluff—Trinity.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Nichols B. Trulock	Horatio Riley
Geo. Enos Vallient	Fred L. Dilley
Henry Chambers Rather	Day Mills

Van Buren—Trinity.

(Not Represented.)

Washington—Grace.

Delegate.
C. E. Ratcliff

Rev. C. H. Lockwood nominated Mr. John M. Daggett as Secretary.

On motion of Rev. R. S. James, the Treasurer of the Diocese was ordered to cast the entire vote of the Council for Mr. Daggett, as Secretary, which was done, and he was declared duly elected.

On motion of Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, the address of the Bishop-Coadjutor was, at his request, made special order for this evening at 8 o'clock.

On motion of Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, the daily sessions of the Council were ordered as follows: Morning prayer at 9:30 a. m.; session of the Council, 10 a. m. to 12:30 p. m., 3 to 5:30 p. m., and 8 p. m.

The Council took a recess to 3 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Trinity Cathedral, Wednesday, May 3, 1899, 3 p. m.

The Council was called to order by the President after recess.

The President appointed, in compliance with the Canon, the following Standing Committees:

Ways and Means—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Mr. C. T. Coffman.

Admission of New Parishes—Rev. C. B. K. Weed, Mr. R. V. McCracken.

State of the Church—Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. R. S. James, D. D., Mr. James R. Young, Mr. P. K. Roots.

Auditing and Finance—Mr. F. L. Dilley, Mr. Henry C. Rather.

Unfinished Business—Mr. John M. Daggett, Mr. Gustave Jones.

Constitution and Canons—Rev. J. J. Vaulx, B. D., Rev. D. B. Ramsey, Rev. A. W. Pierce, Mr. P. O. Thweatt, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. Gustave Jones.

The Standing Committee submitted its report, which was unanimously adopted, and the action of the Standing Committee in all things approved, as follows:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE TO THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL COUNCIL.

May 5, 1898—The committee elected by the Twenty-sixth Annual Council met in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, and organized by electing the Rev. Charles H. Lockwood, President, and the Rev. Douglas I. Hobbs, Secretary.

May 19—At a meeting of the committee, held in Little Rock, the President was authorized to certify to the Presiding Bishop that a majority of the Standing Committees had consented to the consecration of the Ven. William Montgomery Brown to be the Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas, and to send the Canonical testimonials, accompanied by the following communication:

"By the authority of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Arkansas, I do hereby certify that a majority of the Standing Committees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, has given consent to the consecration of the Ven. William Montgomery Brown, to be the Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas, and I herewith furnish the testimonials and evidence required by Title 1, Canon 19, section 3 (1), of the Digest.

(Signed.)

"C. H. LOCKWOOD, *President.*"

June 8—At a meeting of the committee, held in Little Rock, a resolution was offered and adopted ordering that the names of all the Dioceses consenting to the consecration of the Ven. William Montgomery Brown to be the Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas be entered on the minute book of the committee, to become a part of the record for future reference. (It remains for the Council to determine whether such names shall become a part of this report.)

A communication from Mr. J. B. Trulock to Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Trustee of the Episcopate Fund (referred to the committee by Mr. Faulkner), calling attention to the need of repairs on church property at Pine Bluff, was referred back to Mr. Faulkner, with authority to act in the matter according to his best judgment.

The Bishop of the Diocese notified the committee that the Ven. William Montgomery Brown, Bishop-Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Arkansas, would be consecrated in Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio, St. John Baptist's Day, June 24, and that it would be necessary to provide funds to pay expenses of Bishops and others appointed by the Presiding Bishop to take part in the consecration, and also for a delegation to be appointed by the Bishop to represent the Diocese of Arkansas.

Mr. P. K. Roots, the Treasurer of the Diocese, reported the treasury to be in rather a depleted condition, and stated that in order to provide for the expenses of the consecration the committee would have to borrow the funds from some source. After careful and earnest consideration of the whole question, the committee adopted the following resolutions:

"*Resolved*, That as the legal representative of the Diocese of Arkansas, the Standing Committee, acting by the advice and consent

mitted his report, which was referred to the Auditing and Finance Committee.

(See Appendix III.)

Mr. P. K. Roots, as Treasurer of Diocesan Fund—Aged and Infirm Clergy—Bishop-Coadjutor Fund—submitted his reports, which were referred to the Auditing and Finance Committee.

(See Appendixes IV, V, VI.)

The following communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies, General Convention, was read and ordered printed in the Journal:

To the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

In accordance with the requirements of article 9 of the Constitution, I would hereby make known that the following alterations of the Constitution of the Church are proposed, to-wit: Those comprised in the resolutions printed herewith, said resolutions having been constitutionally adopted by a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in the city of Washington, D. C., in October, A. D. 1898.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

Concord, Mass., February 1, A. D. 1899.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the title, "Constitution adopted in General Convention in Philadelphia, October, 1789," and insert:

CONSTITUTION ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTION IN
PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1789, AS AMENDED IN
SUBSEQUENT GENERAL CONVENTIONS.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out articles 1, 2, and 3, and insert the following to be known as Article I of the Constitution:

ARTICLE I.

Section 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and be authenticated by both Houses.

Sec. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop-Coadjutor, and every Bishop who, by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, has resigned his jurisdiction, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and of Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church, in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and the Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his Episcopal jurisdiction, or if by reason of infirmity he shall become disabled, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

Sec. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention by Canon may reduce the representation to not fewer than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question, the vote of a majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or, in cases not specially provided for by the Constitution, by Canons requiring more than a majority, or unless the Clerical or the Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders. In all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical order and one in the Lay order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

Sec. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House, without the consent of the other, shall adjourn for more than three days, or to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

Sec. 6. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; but if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by the Canon.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out articles 4 and 10 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article II of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or the Bishop-Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be 30 years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses, and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction within the United States. But if the election shall have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by fewer than three Bishops.

Sec. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless he shall have been requested to perform Episcopal acts in another Diocese or Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or in a vacant Missionary District by the Presiding Bishop of this Church, or unless he shall have been authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or by the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church.

Sec. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several

Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article III of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE III.

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop; under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or of Bishop-Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States, or be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the Episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article IV of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE IV.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall be his Council of Advice; and when there is no such Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention. The rights and the duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out article 5 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article V of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE V.

Section 1. A new Diocese may be formed (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese; or (3) by the

junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by general Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the Missionary District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Bishop, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. In case the Episcopate of a Diocese be vacant, no proceedings toward its division shall be taken until the vacancy is filled. During a vacancy in a Missionary District, the consent of the Presiding Bishop must be had before proceedings to erect it into a Diocese are taken. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of the proceedings and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the formation of the new Diocese have been complied with, and that it has acceded to the Constitution of this Church, and the General Convention shall have so declared, and shall have ratified such proceedings, the formation of the new Diocese shall be complete, and it shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention.

Sec. 2. In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop-Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and (if it be not the one elected by the Bishop) he shall be the Bishop thereof.

Sec. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops-Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled, in order of seniority of consecration, to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

Sec. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. Whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Sec. 5. A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which such Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Sec. 6. No new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain fewer than six self-supporting Parishes, or fewer than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain fewer than twelve self-supporting Parishes and twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above provided.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article VI of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States and territories or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

Sec. 2. The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when such cession shall have been proposed by the Bishop and the Convention of such Diocese, and consent thereto shall have been given by three-fourths of the Parishes in the ceded territory, and also by the same ratio of the Parishes within the remaining territory.

Any territorial jurisdiction or any part of the same which may have been accepted from a Diocese by the General Convention under the foregoing provision, may be retroceded to the said Diocese by such joint action of all the several parties as is herein required for its cession; *provided*, that such action of the General Convention, whether of cession or retrocession, shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting, and by a vote of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders.

Sec. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General



Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article VII of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE VII.

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces in such manner, under such conditions, and with such powers, as shall be provided by Canon of the General Convention; *provided, however*, that no Diocese shall be included in a Province without its own consent.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out article 7 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article VIII of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE VIII.

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless at the time, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, he shall subscribe and make the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and also shall have subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out article 6 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article IX of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE IX.

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish a court for the trial of Bishops, which shall be composed of Bishops only.

Presbyters and Deacons shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention of the Diocese, or by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Missionary District, in which they are canonically resident.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determinations of Diocesan or other trial courts.

The court for the review of the determination of the trial court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of doctrine, faith, or worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or of suspension, deposition, or degradation from the ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out article 8 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article X of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE X.

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies vot-

ing by orders. *Provided, however,* that the General Convention at any meeting shall have power to amend the Tables of Lessons by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to article 10 as already proposed the following:

But provision may be made by Canon for the temporary use of other forms and directories of worship by congregations not in union with this Church who are willing to accept the spiritual oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out article 9 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article XI of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE XI.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed at one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof be sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was made special order for 4:30 p. m. to-morrow.

The Council proceeded to the election of Standing Committee.

The President appointed Rev. C. B. K. Weed and Mr. Gustave Jones as Tellers.

The election resulted as follows: Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D.; Rev. W. D. Buckner; Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D.; Mr. P. K. Roots; Mr. J. A. Reeves.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Ways and Means Committee be instructed to propose some plan or amendment to the present plan of raising the salary of Bishop-Coadjutor.

Council took a recess till 8 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

May 3, 1899.

Council was called to order at 8 p. m.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood, the Rev. Wm. G. Coote, of the Diocese of Kansas, in charge of St. Luke's, Hot Springs, was invited to a seat in the Council, and tendered the courtesies due a visitor.

Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown read his first annual address, which, with the Bishop's address and Parochial Reports, was referred to the Committee on State of the Church.

(See Appendix II.)

Chancellor Wm. G. Whipple offered the following preamble and resolution, which were seconded by Rev. G. Gordon Sineade, and, after some happy remarks by Mr. Whipple, Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Dr. James, and our venerable Diocesan, were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas, Since his consecration, less than one year ago, by his exclusive devotion to the duties of his high office, by his tireless energy, his visitations to every portion of his broad field, his efficient work in many Parishes, his fervent zeal, his broad Catholicity of spirit, and his executive ability, our Bishop-Coadjutor, William Montgomery Brown, has merited especial recognition, and won general approval; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Council, voicing the sentiments of the Diocese, heartily accord to Bishop Brown their unqualified approbation of his work.

On motion of Rev. R. W. Rhames that portion of the Bishop-Coadjutor's address relating to six points of amendment to the Canons was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons; and that portion relating to the "Arkan-

sas Mission Chapel and Rectory Building Fund" account to the Committee on Auditing and Finance.

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D., offered the following amendment to the Canons, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons:

Amend Title 1, Canon 1, section 1, by striking out the word "but," where it occurs next after the word "Council," in the fifth line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "but no Clergyman shall have a vote therein who shall not have been in charge of a Parish or Mission within one year next preceding, and."

Rev. W. D. Buckner offered the following amendments to the Canons, which were referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons:

Amend section 67, Canon 1, Title 4, by striking out therefrom the words "of whom the Rector or Minister shall appoint one as Senior Warden, and the Vestry shall elect another as Junior Warden."

Amend section 69, Canon 1, Title 4, by inserting therein before the words "the Junior Warden" these words, namely, "the Senior Warden."

The Council adjourned till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, May 4, 1899, 10 a. m.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. After morning prayer, said by the Bishop-Coadjutor and Rev. A. W. Pierce, roll of Clergy and Lay Delegates was called, and the additional attendants noted.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

On motion of Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, after amendment by Rev. W. D. Buckner and Mr. Wm. G. Whipple, it was ordered that the address of the Bishop-Coadjutor be published in the Sunday Gazette, and in pamphlet form for distribution.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood, it was ordered that 1,000 copies of the Bishop-Coadjutor's address be published in pamphlet form, in addition to the regular Journals.

On motion of Mr. Wm. G. Whipple, a committee of three was ordered appointed to arrange for the publication of the Bishop-Coadjutor's address in the Sunday "Arkansas Gazette."

The President appointed as that committee, Mr. Wm. G. Whipple, Mr. P. K. Roots, Mr. S. S. Faulkner.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows:

To the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

The Auditing Committee report that they have examined and checked the accounts of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, and the Treasurer of the Diocese, and of fund for disabled clergy, and Bishop-Coadjutor Fund, and found them correct.

F. L. DILLEY,
H. C. RATHER,
Committee.



ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the Council for Mr. P. K. Roots for Diocesan Treasurer and for Treasurer of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, which was done, and Mr. Roots was declared elected.

The Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the Council for Mr. S. S. Faulkner for Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, which was done, and Mr. Faulkner was declared elected.

ELECTION OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The President appointed Rev. W. D. Buckner and Rev. C. B. K. Weed Clerical Tellers, and Mr. Ed F. Furner and Mr. R. V. McCracken Lay Tellers.

The election resulted as follows:

Clerical Deputies.	Lay Delegates.
Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D.	Mr. Jos. A. Reeves.
Rev. J. J. Vaulx, B. D.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
Rev. D. B. Ramsey.	Mr. S. S. Faulkner.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D.	Mr. John M. Daggett.

SUBSTITUTES.

(In the order of their election.)

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. C. B. K. Weed.	Mr. R. V. McCracken.
Rev. R. S. James, D. D.	Mr. R. B. Bancroft.
Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Mr. N. B. Trulock.
Rev. R. W. Rhames.	Mr. Ed F. Furner.

Mr. C. T. Coffman was unanimously elected Registrar.

Mr. John Gatling and Mr. Gustave Jones were unanimously elected to the Judiciary Committee.

DELEGATES TO MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

Rev. R. W. Rhames.	Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.
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Committee on State of the Church submitted the following report, which was received and approved by the Council:

We, the Committee on State of the Church, beg leave to submit the following report:

Twelve months have brought about a wonderful change in the Diocese.

To many of us, we confess, the future looked gloomy and sad indeed. Dissensions and heartburnings were visible everywhere. Conditions seemed almost irreconcilable. To-day, under the wise, tactful, and consecrated zeal of the Bishop-Coadjutor, and an All-wise and overruling Providence, harmony and love have sprung from chaos and bitterness. Consequently, as always under such blessed conditions, the work of the Master is progressing on all Church lines.

Church people in many of the towns and villages of the State who have been waiting and yearning for years for Episcopal visitations, have at last been gladdened and strengthened by the gracious presence and tender and loving administrations of our Bishop-Coadjutor.

Truly, it is with rejoicing hearts that we observe everywhere marks of encouragement. Indeed, the various reports which have been read in our hearing, portray the dawn of a brighter day.

To our beloved Diocesan this condition of things must be exceedingly gratifying. Truly, his heart must bound with gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the bright outlook of the Church in the Diocese to which he has devoted the best years of his life. We pray that our Heavenly Father may spare him to us for many years to come.

The message from our Bishops is one which is not only a satisfactory record of work done, but glows with hope for the years yet to come.

The legislation suggested is certainly timely, and should be adopted without a dissenting voice.

The confirmations were smaller this year than usual, yet along all other lines there has been marked improvement.

We note with deep pleasure the consecration of the beautiful Church at Helena, and the completion of the Church at Fort Smith.

In our Clerical ranks many changes have taken place since we last met. To our dear brethren who have so recently come among us we extend a most affectionate welcome, and bid them Godspeed in their work.

We cannot be too urgent and earnest in our appeal to the different congregations in the Diocese to the paramount importance of a thorough awakening in all missionary lines, especially in placing at the disposal of the Diocesan Missionary Society funds sufficient to meet the growing needs of this great Diocese. The work must be hampered, and your Bishop-Coadjutor must be trammelled in the splendid work that he has commenced, unless the Churches of this Diocese awake to the great needs of the field.

Remember that the Diocesan Missionary Society is the most potent factor for the extension and upbuilding of the Church within our borders. If we fail to enter these open doors, then we must continue to be powerless in the general uplift of the people of this great and growing State.

Truly, brethren, the case is a Macedonian one, and should receive our earnest and faithful co-operation and prayers.

Yes, the harvest is truly ripe, and the field inviting, but the laborers are few. We pray that the Lord of the harvest will send us more laborers—men of consecration—men of singleness of purpose—men uncompromising in their love for the Church—ever upholding with a beautiful devotion and loyalty the doctrines and sacraments and the discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as this Church hath received the same.

May it always be our unspeakable privilege to ever hold up Christ as the very life and the very light of the Church. To present Him to individual souls as "The Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

May the Great Head of the Church, and the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls bless our beloved Diocesan, the Bishop-Coadjutor, the Clergy and Laity; and may we all daily increase in His Holy Spirit more and more, until we come unto His everlasting Kingdom.

G. GORDON SMEADE,
RICHARD S. JAMES, D. D.,
J. R. YOUNG,
P. K. ROOTS.

Voted that when the Council adjourn, it adjourn to meet at Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, on the first Wednesday in May, A. D. 1900.

The Secretary was directed to have five volumes of the Journals of the Council, 1890 to 1898, inclusive, bound for the use of the Standing Committee, the Registrar, the Secretary, the Chancellor, and the Treasurer.

The Secretary was directed to publish with the Journal of the present session, the official documents read and the order of services at the consecration of the Bishop-Coadjutor.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That before the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South, next July, an offering be taken by each Parish and Mission Station in the Diocese for the

theological department of the University, and that the Trustees elected to represent the Diocese be authorized by this Council to notify the Parishes and Mission Stations of the adoption of this resolution.

The Council took a recess till 3 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

May 4, 1899, 3 p. m.

Council was called to order by the President.

Committee on Constitution and Canons submitted the following report:

We, your committee, respectfully report:

1. We recommend that consideration of the proposed amendment to Title 1, Canon 1, section 1, be postponed.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

2. We recommend that the proposed amendment to Title 4, Canon 1, section 67, be adopted, and that the proposed amendment to Title 4, Canon 1, section 69, be adopted.

The recommendation failing of unanimous consent, it was laid over for final action at the next Council.

3. We recommend that the first clause of Title 3, Canon 1, section 51, be amended to read as follows: "The Bishops shall appoint one of the Clergy in each district as Dean of Convocation, upon the nomination of the Clergy of the district concerned."

The question was put upon the adoption of the amendment, and the vote being unanimous in the affirmative, the amendment was declared canonically adopted.

4. We recommend that to Title 3, Canon 4, section 61, the following be added: "*Provided*, that no beneficiary of the mission funds shall be elected a member of the Board of Managers."

The recommendation failing of unanimous consent, it was laid over for final action at the next Council.

5. We recommend that the last clause of Title 4, Canon 2, section 79, be amended to read as follows: "The Bishop, with the consent of the Council, may reduce such Parish to a Mission."

The recommendation failing of unanimous consent, it was laid over for final action at the next Council.

The Very Rev. Stephen H. Green, Dean of St. Mary's Cathedral, Memphis, Tenn., was, by a rising vote, invited to a seat upon the floor of the Council, and the courtesies due a visitor were extended to him.

Upon motion the Council rose as a Council to sit as a Board of Missions, the Bishop-Coadjutor presiding.

The report of the Secretary was ordered printed in the Journal, and is as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Managers of Diocesan Missions met at Little Rock, in Bishop Brown's study, at 10:30 a. m., Thursday, January 12, 1899.

Bishop Brown presided and opened the meeting with prayer.

Rev. W. T. Allen's resignation as a member of the Board was accepted.

N. B. Trulock was elected to fill the office of Secretary.

On motion, Rev. W. D. Buckner was elected a member of the Board of Missions.

Bishop Brown's happy Xmas-tide action in forwarding stipends to the following Rectors (December 25, 1898) was heartily approved of by the Board, as calculated to reflect rays of sunshine in their homes in which to begin the new year's work, viz:

Rev. D. B. Ramsey.....	\$ 62.50
Rev. R. S. James.....	18.75
Rev. A. W. Pierce.....	62.50
Rev. G. W. Flowers.....	62.50
Rev. J. J. Vaulx.....	62.50
Rev. I. P. Daniels.....	100.00
Total.....	\$368.75

The Board approved of Bishop Brown's action in sending the Rev. I. M. Merlinjones to Morrilton, and voted to reimburse the Bishop for money advanced Mr. Merlinjones, hoping said Parish will flourish under his ministry.

The Board adopted resolutions to have Bishop Brown prepare a letter, stating the needs of the Board of Missions, and have the same read in all the Parishes of this Diocese, with the hope that new life and zeal in the Master's work may prove fruitful, and that a large increase of funds will be added to the almost depleted treasury.

On motion the following appropriations were made for the year:

Newport.....	\$ 200.00
Marianna.....	200.00
Mammoth Spring and Jonesboro.....	200.00
Forrest City and Brinkley.....	200.00
Batesville.....	100.00
Eureka Springs.....	100.00
Fayetteville.....	200.00
Camden.....	200.00
Van Buren.....	200.00
Washington and Rocky Comfort.....	200.00

Total appropriations.....\$1,800.00

We feel confident with the leadership of our dear Bishop-Coadjutor, that the future has untold blessings in store for the Church in Arkansas. With his untiring zeal, steadiness of purpose, and strenuousness of effort, we believe the fruit of his labors will be the ingathering of many souls.

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. TRULOCK,
Secretary Board of Missions.

Annual report of Treasurer of Board of Diocesan Missions for year ending May 3, 1899.

RECEIPTS.

From Rev. D. D. Trimble, Pine Bluff.....	\$ 20.25
From St. John's, Fort Smith.....	20.00
From St. John's, Helena.....	72.90
From St. John's, Camden.....	42.00
From St. Mary's Chapter, Morrilton.....	6.00
From collection at Russellville by Rev. Merlin Jones.....	1.00
From St. Paul's, Newport.....	6.31
From St. Philip's, Little Rock.....	.50
From St. Agnes's, Morrilton.....	6.00
From St. Paul's, Fayetteville.....	9.24
From Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	45.00
From St. Mark's, Hope.....	20.00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	75.00
From St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	12.85
From Christ Church Sunday School, Little Rock.....	25.00

Total from Arkansas Diocese.....\$ 362.05

From Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, through
Bishop Pierce..... 954.90

Total for year.....\$1,316.95

Balance last report..... 265.72

Total in hands.....\$1,582.67

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Rev. C. H. Lockwood, expenses, \$6, \$4.50.....	\$ 10.50
To Rev. W. T. Allen, expenses.....	6.00
To Rev. G. G. Smeade, expenses.....	4.50
To Rev. R. S. James, \$33.35, \$25, \$18.75, \$40.....	117.10
To Rev. E. J. Williams, \$50, \$12.50.....	62.50
To Rev. D. B. Ramsey, \$62.50, \$50.....	112.50
To Rev. A. W. Pierce, \$62.50, \$50.....	112.50
To Rev. I. P. Daniels, \$100, \$100.....	200.00
To Rev. I. M. Merlinjones.....	25.00
To Rev. G. W. Flowers, \$62.50, \$50.....	112.50
To Rev. J. J. Vaulx, \$62.50, \$50.....	112.50
To Rt. Rev. E. R. Atwell.....	8.00
To Rev. W. S. Trowbridge.....	8.00
To Mr. H. H. Harding.....	6.00
To Rev. Wm. Cross.....	16.06
	\$ 914.26
Leaving balance in hands of Treasurer.....	668.41
	\$1,582.67

Very respectfully submitted,

A. F. ADAMS,
Treasurer of Board.

The report was adopted.

It was resolved: That the President appoint a committee of three to memorialize the Board of Managers of the General Missionary Society for an appropriation of \$1,000 for the support of an itinerant missionary for this Diocese.

The President appointed Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D., Rev. R. W. Rhames, and Mr. Joseph A. Reeves as that committee.

The Board of Missions rose and the Council resumed its session, the Bishop in the chair.

The hour for special order—the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary—having arrived, the Council took a recess until 8 p. m.

(President's Address, Woman's Auxiliary, Appendix VII.)

(Secretary's Report, Woman's Auxiliary, Appendix VIII.)

EVENING SESSION.

May 4, 1899, 8 p. m.

Council was called to order by the President after recess.

The Council listened with intense interest to the eloquent, churchly, and admirably instructive address of Dean Green, Representative of the Board of Managers of the General Board of Missions, on its scope and management, and on the general subject of Missions.

The Council adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

May 5, 1899, 9:30 a. m.

Council met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D., submitted the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Council that the Diocese of Arkansas should raise \$1,000 this year for Diocesan Missions.

Resolved, That each Clergyman, if no Clergyman in charge, of any Parish, then the Lay reader, or some member of the Vestry, read this notice to the congregation, urging upon them the necessity of a liberal response.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood presented the following:

The Woman's Auxillary to the Board of Missions request of the different Rectors throughout the Diocese, to call the attention of their Parishes to the work of the Auxillary, and to organize branches of the same, including the Baby and Junior branches.

The request was approved and ordered spread upon the Journal.

The Council proceeded to the election of a Board of Managers for Diocesan Missions, which resulted as follows:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D.	Mr. Arthur F. Adams.
Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D.	Mr. N. B. Trulock.
Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Mr. John Gatling.

On motion of Mr. Wm. G. Whipple, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Council that nothing was due under article 7 of the articles providing for the salary of the Bishop-Coadjutor, prior to December 1, 1898, and that all payments made before that date shall be credited upon that and subsequent assessments.

On motion of Rev. D. B. Ramsey, the Treasurer was ordered to repay to St. John's, Camden, the payment of \$50, made March 1, 1898, and credit the same to the assessment due from that Parish December 1, 1899, for the Bishop-Coadjutor's Fund.

Committee on Publication of the Bishop-Coadjutor's address in the Sunday "Arkansas Gazette," reported, and it was

Resolved, That the Diocesan Treasurer pay the cost of publication as reported by the committee on presentation of the bill therefor.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Council be returned to Trinity Cathedral and Christ Church Parishes for most delightful, and generous hospitality received.

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Council in regular session, that the Bishop-Coadjutor convey to the Diocese of Dallas the greetings of this body, and the hope that said session may prove harmonious and result in much good.

Resolved, That the Secretary be ordered to have 500 copies of the Journal of this Council printed and distributed in the usual manner.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese pay to Mr. John M. Daggett \$75, as an *honorarium* for services rendered at this Council.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be tendered to the railroads of the State for courtesies extended to the delegates to this Council and the "Woman's Auxilliary."

Resolved, That we, the Diocese of Arkansas in Council assembled, desire to extend to the General Board of Missions our hearty thanks in grateful appreciation for the very helpful and instructive Missionary address, which was delivered before the Council by their Representative, the Very Reverend Stephen H. Green, of Memphis; and we further desire to assure the Board that we will always welcome their Representatives in the future, that the general Missionary interest may be stimulated and increased in the Diocese.

Resolved, That the address of the Bishop be published in pamphlet form with the address of the Bishop-Coadjutor, with the Bishop's consent.

Mr. Wm. G. Whipple offered the following proposed amendment to section 1, Canon 1, Title 1:

Amend Title 1, Canon 1, section 1, by striking out the word "but" where it occurs next after the word "Council," in the fifth line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof these words, namely, "but no Clergyman shall have a vote therein who shall not have been in charge of a Parish or Mission within one year next preceding, unless the Clergyman shall be an assistant Minister in some Parish or Mission, or a professor in a College, or superannuated, or incapacitated from having charge of a Parish or Mission by ill health, and."

Failing of unanimous consent for adoption, the amendment was laid over for final action at the next Council.

On motion of Mr. J. M. Daggett, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Constitution and Canons be continued, to sit during the recess, to receive and consider all amendments to the Canons now pending or that may be submitted to them, and report to the next Council.

Committee on Ways and Means submitted the following report:

The Committee on Ways and Means beg leave to recommend the following changes be made in "Articles providing for the salary of the Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas."

Article 3 be amended to read as follows: It shall be the duty of the Vestry promptly to collect said assessment and promptly to turn the same over to the Parish Treasurer, who shall remit the same at once to the Diocesan Treasurer, to be credited to the fund for which the same has been collected.

Article 9 be amended to read as follows: It shall be the duty of the Rector or Warden of each Parish or Mission to see that due and proper notice is given annually, etc.

We recommend that as articles 10 and 11 were only necessary for the putting into operation of the plan, that these two articles be eliminated and abolished.

W. D. BUCKNER,
S. S. FAULKNER,
C. T. COFFMAN.

The report of the committee was adopted.

Final report of the Committee on Ways and Means was also adopted.

(See Appendix IX.)

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

The Secretary respectfully reports that the offertory at the opening session of the Council amounting to \$10.00, was turned over to him to defray the incidental expenses, which he has paid, and which amount to \$5.55, leaving a balance of \$4.54, which he has paid to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Fund, and asks the approval of his action by the Council.

The report was approved.

Report of Committee on Unfinished Business.

Your committee respectfully report that there is no unfinished business before the Council, except the amendments to the Canons, which have been laid over for final action by the next Council.

J. M. DAGGETT,
For Committee.

Reading of the Minutes was dispensed with, and it was left with the President and Secretary to see that the same are correct for publication.

After prayers, with the benediction of the Bishop, the Twenty-seventh Annual Council adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY NILES PIERCE,
Bishop of Arkansas, President.

Attest:

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary.

AMENDMENT TO CANONS.

Title 3, Canon 1, section 51 (as amended 1899):

Section 51. The Bishops shall appoint one of the Clergy in each district as Dean of Convocation, upon the nomination of the Clergy of the district concerned. The Convocation shall elect a Secretary, who shall be a Clergyman, and a Treasurer, who shall be a Layman.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Secretary make out and cause to be printed in the Journal of this Council, immediately after the list of Clergy, a list of the Parishes and Missions in this Diocese.—1878, page 22.

2. That there be reported in the Parochial Reports, in addition to the report of the gross number of communicants, the number actually communicating in the twelve months preceding Epiphany; said number of actual communicants to be only for information of the Council, and not to be entered on the Journal.—1879, page 16.

3. That the name of the mover of any resolution be always annexed to the same.—1881, page 12.

4. That the two schools (University of the South and Columbia Female College) be recommended to the Diocese as worthy of patronage in the education of the sons and daughters of the Church.—1882, page 14.

5. That each Parish may, at its option, pay its assessment in quarterly installments.—1887, page 28.

6. That the Diocesan Council strongly recommend that an offering be taken annually in every Parish and Mission of the Diocese for the purposes and at the dates named.

7. That the Secretary be instructed to send one month before the meeting of the Council to each Parish in union with the Diocese, and to all Mission Stations, a form of Parochial Report, with request that they report to the Bishop five (5) days before the meeting of the Council.—1888, page 17.

8. That the necessary expenses of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, in attending the regular meetings, be paid by the Treasurer of the Diocese, on the certificate of the Secretary of the Committee.—1889, page 17.

9. That the Treasurer of each of the funds be, and is hereby requested to send to the Wardens of the Parishes a fortnight's notice of each special offering recommended by the Council.—1891, page 19.

10. That the members of the Council, in addressing the presiding officer, shall address him as "Mr. President," and that his title be given him in the Journal of the Proceedings.—1891, page 28.

11. That the various Parishes and Missions be requested to take a contribution annually, to be paid to the Bishop for this purpose (extinguishing the debt on St. Paul's Church property at Dardanelle) now reduced to \$160, until the debt is extinguished.—1895, page 28.

12. Offerings are asked as follows:

On Advent Sunday, for the Theological Department University of the South.

On first Sunday in Lent and on Trinity Sunday, for Diocesan Missions.

On Septuagesima Sunday or on Easter Day, for the Episcopate Fund.

On Thanksgiving Day, for Aged and Infirm Clergy, and Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Diocese.—1888, page 13.

ARTICLES PROVIDING FOR THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP-COADIUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

ARTICLE I.

The annual salary of the Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas shall be \$1,500.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be, and is hereby, assessed and levied upon each and every communicant of the Diocese, the sum of \$1, to be paid annually, on the 1st day of December in each year; said sum to be devoted exclusively towards the payment of the salary of the Bishop-Coadjutor; the payment of which assessment by each communicant of the Diocese is hereby solemnly enjoined as a duty of high moral obligation.

ARTICLE III.

It shall be the duty of the Vestry of each Parish, and of the Warden, and in his absence, of the Treasurer, and in the absence of both, of the Secretary, of each Mission, promptly to collect said assessment, and promptly to turn the same over to the Parish Treasurer, who shall remit the same at once to the Diocesan Treasurer, to be credited to the fund for which the same has been collected.

ARTICLE IV.

It shall be the duty of the Rector or Warden of each Parish or Mission to see that due and proper notice is given annually from the chancel and otherwise, to the end that all communicants may be duly notified and prompt collection made.

ARTICLE V.

The Trustee of the Episcopate Fund is hereby authorized and instructed so to manage and conduct said fund that the Building Association stock held by him as such Trustee, shall be allowed to run on and mature, and that said fund may be converted into cash, and realized upon in the most expeditious way consistent with its proper and prudent husbandry and management; and, with the advice and assistance of the Treasurer of the Diocese, to reinvest said fund in the best manner available for the production therefrom of an annual income; which, when collected, shall be promptly paid by said Trustee to said Diocesan Treasurer. It being the intention of these articles in nowise to interfere with said fund, except as shall be directed by the Annual Council.

ARTICLE VI.

There shall be paid to said Bishop-Coadjutor such sums as may be received and realized as the income of said Episcopate Fund, and from said *per capita* assessments; provided, that the salary of said Bishop-Coadjutor shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$3,000, until authorized by the Council of the Diocese, and any balance that shall accrue in excess of said sum shall be held and retained by said Diocesan Treasurer for Diocesan purposes, subject to the direction of Council of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VII.

The first annual *per capita* assessment herein provided for shall be due and payable on the 1st day of March, 1898; and the second annual assessment shall be due and payable on the 1st day of December, 1898, and so on from year to year.

ARTICLE VIII.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Diocese upon the receipt by him from time to time of said *per capita* assessment, and of said income from the Episcopate Fund, to pay the same over without delay to the order of the said Bishop-Coadjutor.

ARTICLE IX.

The Treasurer of the Diocese is hereby constituted the Curator of said annual *per capita* assessments, and is hereby charged with the special duty of prompting the Parish and Mission officers in the discharge of their respective duties in reference to the annual collection of said assessments.

APPENDIX I.

BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity:

Almighty God has spared me to meet you once more in Council, and it is with unusual peace of mind and freedom from care, that I welcome you to your seats in this, the Twenty-seventh Annual Session of this body. For I now know, so far as we are able to see the future, and estimate the probabilities thereof, that in case I meet you here no more, there will be one who has already won your confidence and taken from my shoulders a large portion of the burden, to assume the remainder of it when I lay that down, or am unable to bear it. Until that time I have the satisfaction of feeling that peace has been restored to the Diocese and left it free, and, as I trust, resolved to work for Christ and His one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, which is His Body mystical, as it has never yet worked in its long years of struggles, sometimes severe struggles, for existence. To one and all, I say, let bygones be bygones indeed, and let us hopefully look forward to and pray and work for a grand and a glorious future for the Church in Arkansas.

In reviewing the events of the past conciliar Diocesan year, I find the most important, of course, to be the consecration of our beloved Coadjutor-Bishop. Of that and of his work since his consecration I need say little, for you are all fully informed on that subject. I add merely this: Much good seed has been sown and some of it in wholly new ground, and even now first fruits by no means scant have been gathered, and the promised full harvest in due time is hopefully and joyfully anticipated in a not remote hereafter.

The number of Clerical changes in the Diocese during the past year has been unusually large. I have given Letters Dimissory as follows:

The Rev. John Gass, transferring him to the Diocese of Georgia.

The Rev. E. J. P. B. Williams, transferring him to the Diocese of Springfield, Ill.

Rev. W. T. Allen, transferring him to the Diocese of West Missouri.

The Rev. Douglas I. Hobbs, transferring him to the Diocese of Nebraska.

I have accepted Letters Dimissory presented by the Rev. W. D. Buckner, from the Diocese of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, from the Diocese of Newark, N. J.; the Rev. R. W. Rhames, from the Diocese of Missouri.

The Rev. George Gordon Smeade has resigned the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, and accepted the Rectorship of Christ

Church, Little Rock. The Rev. W. D. Buckner has succeeded to the vacancy at Pine Bluff. The Rev. William Cross resigned the Rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs; was chaplain for some months in the United States Army, and is now out of the State, but still Canonically resident in the Diocese of Arkansas. The Rev. G. W. Flowers has recently resigned the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Van Buren, and is beyond the bounds of this Diocese at present, though Canonically resident here. The Rev. Mr. Weed has become Rector of St. Paul's Church, Batesville. The Rev. Mr. Rhames has become Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport. The Rev. W. G. Coote, of the Diocese of Kansas, is officiating at St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, and I have hopes of his becoming the Rector of that important Parish. The Rev. I. M. Merlinjones, of the Diocese of Los Angeles, Cal., is officiating at St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton, very acceptably. The Rev. P. P. Boland, of the Diocese of Mississippi, is officiating at the Parish of St. John's, Fort Smith. Trinity, Van Buren; St. Andrew's, Marianna; The Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, and the Mission points vacated by the removal of the Rev. Mr. Williams, are still without stated Clerical services. But I feel assured that the most important of these vacancies will be soon filled. I do not speak of a vacancy at Trinity Cathedral, because no absolute vacancy can occur there as long as the Bishop is in residence, though additional workers are needed, and will, I hope, be soon secured.

I consecrated the beautiful new St. John's Church, at Helena, on Septuagesima Sunday last. Further particulars concerning this consecration will be found in the abstract of my journal under the date of January 29, 1890. On the 22d day of May, 1890, I laid the corner stone of the new St. John's Church, at Fort Smith. When I saw this fine stone edifice in December last, the workmen were finishing off the interior. Whether it was made ready for Easter services, as was then intended, I have not been informed. As there is on the building some debt, though not a large one, considering its beauty and substantial character, it may not be ready for consecration very soon.

Great progress has been made in paying off Church debts during the year. A grand Easter offering very largely reduced that of Christ Church, Little Rock. That of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, has been much cut down. The debt on St. Andrew's Church Rectory, at Marianna, is being steadily lessened. A mere fragment is left of the debt once resting on the Deanery of Trinity Cathedral. Except the five mentioned, I believe none of the Parishes of Arkansas are encumbered with debt. Few, if any, of the Dioceses of the American Church can show a better record than Arkansas in this respect.

Spiritually, I have reason to believe the Diocese has advanced no little during the past twelve months. This is my conviction, though the small number of confirmations may seem to indicate the contrary. The past year has been, to a great degree, a broken one.

Men's minds have been deeply stirred by discords—discords international, political, and ecclesiastical—both in our country and in other lands. But the grace of God has been, and is, bringing harmony out of discord. That it has so far prevailed under circumstances so opposing and obstructive shows a decided advancement in the Spiritual life of the world, the nation, and the Church of God. I look for much greater and much richer fruits in the more peaceful years to come.

Of the Missionary work in the Diocese and in the world I shall say nothing here. I leave that to our dear Bishop-Coadjutor, and to others. They will tell you more fully than I am prepared to do, what has been done, what needs to be done, what can be done, and what is required of all of us in order to accomplish it. And may the Spirit Divine stir up every soul to perform its duty to God and to man.

On the Festival of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary the Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Deacon, was ordered Priest by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Starkey, in Grace Church, Orange, N. J. I mention the fact as certified to me by the Bishop of Newark, because he, in this case, simply acted instead of myself, and at my written request. This ordination will be reported by Arkansas at the next session of the General Convention, as a matter of course.

As nothing further occurs to me which seems to require saying in this connection on the present occasion, I here add an abstract of my Journal for the year forever ended, that you may, in some small part, see what your Bishop has been officially doing during the past twelve months:

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S JOURNAL.

My last report to the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas closed with the 3d day of May, 1898.

May 4, Wednesday: At 11 a. m. in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, being assisted by the Rev. J. J. Vaulx, I said the Communion office, read my annual address, and celebrated the Holy Eucharist. After which I called the Council to order and presided in the same in the morning, afternoon, and evening.

May 5, Thursday: At 9:45 a. m. I called the Council to order and presided during the day. At 6 p. m. the Twenty-sixth Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas adjourned *sine die*. At 8 p. m. I presided at a missionary meeting, and after a short special service, I made a brief address, then introduced the speakers, and at last closed the services.

May 6, Friday: Assisted by John Daggett, Esquire, Secretary of the Council, I prepared and sent to the Bishops and Standing Committees of the Church in America a circular containing an abstract of the action of the late Council relative to the elections of the Bishop-Coadjutor.

May 8, Sunday: The fourth after Easter. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Dean Hobbs said morning prayer; the Rev. A. W. Pierce read the lessons; I said the Ante-Communion; the Rev. J. J. Vaulx reading the Epistle. The Rev. R. S. James, D. D., preached, and I closed the service. At 4 p. m. I attended a funeral in Trinity Cathedral.

May 15, Sunday: The fifth after Easter. At 11 a. m. in Woodmen's Hall, Baring Cross, after a special service, said by Mr. J. Huntley, I baptized two children, made a brief address and preached.

May 19, Thursday: Ascension Day. At 10:30 a. m. in St. John's Church, Fort Smith, I preached and received the Holy Communion.

May 22, Sunday: After Ascension. At 11 a. m. in St. John's Church, Fort Smith, I preached, confirmed one person (1 female), and made an address. At 4 p. m. I made an address and laid the corner stone of the new St. John's Church, assisted by the Rev. W. T. Allen, the Rector, and members of the Masonic Lodge.

May 25, Wednesday: I this day gave my Canonical consent to the consecration of the Venerable William Montgomery Brown to be Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I confirmed three persons (2 males, 1 female) and addressed the class. These candidates were presented by the Rev. A. W. Pierce, and are registered as Parishioners of the Church of the Redeemer, Nashville, Ark.

May 29, Sunday: Whitsunday. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, the Rev. A. W. Pierce said the Litany; I said the Communion office; Dean Hobbs read the Epistle and preached, and I celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by the Rev. A. W. Pierce.

June 5, Sunday: Trinity Sunday. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Dean Hobbs said morning prayer, read the Epistle, preached, and assisted me. I celebrated the Holy Eucharist.

June 12, Sunday: The first after Trinity. At 11 a. m. I assisted in saying morning services in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

June 14, Tuesday: I this day gave to the Rev. John Gass Letters Dimissory, transferring him to the Diocese of Georgia.

June 19, Sunday: The second after Trinity. At 10:30 a. m. in Woodmen's Hall, Baring Cross (St. Barnabas's Mission), I preached, confirmed two persons (1 male, 1 female), and addressed the class.

June 24, Friday: Nativity of St. John the Baptist. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I received the Holy Communion.

June 26, Sunday: The third after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I assisted in the service and received the Holy Communion. The Rev. Willard H. Roots preached, and the Rev. A. W. Pierce was celebrant.

June 29, Wednesday: St. Peter's Day. In St. Paul's Church, Newport, at 8:30 p. m., I joined in holy matrimony Thomas Jackson Gregg and Miss Lucy Lester Watson.

July 3, Sunday: The fourth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, the Rev. W. H. Roots said morning prayer, Bishop Brown read the lessons, I said the Communion office, Bishop Brown reading the Gospel, and the Rev. Mr. Roots the Epistle. Bishop Brown preached and I celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by the Bishop.

July 10, Sunday: The fifth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I assisted in saying the morning service.

July 17, Sunday: The sixth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I assisted at the morning service, and received the Holy Communion.

July 20, Wednesday: The Diocesan Board of Missions. At 5 p. m. Bishop Brown was present, and at my request presided.

July 24, Sunday: The seventh after Trinity. My health did not allow me to attend services.

July 31, Sunday: The eighth after Trinity. Crippled up by rheumatism and unable to attend services.

August 7, Sunday: The ninth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in St. Peter's Church, Columbia, Tenn., I preached and received the Holy Communion.

August 14, Sunday: The tenth after Trinity. Too unwell to attend services.

August 21, Sunday: The eleventh after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in St. Peter's Church, Columbia, Tenn., I preached.

August 28, Sunday: The twelfth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I received the Holy Communion.

September 4, Sunday: The thirteenth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. I received the Holy Communion in the Cathedral, Little Rock.

September 11, Sunday: The fourteenth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I assisted in saying morning service and received the Holy Communion. The Bishop said the rest of the service, preached and celebrated the Holy Eucharist.

September 18, Sunday: The fifteenth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I received the Holy Communion. The Rev. A. W. Pierce officiated.

September 19, Monday: I this day gave Letters Dimissory to the Rev. Edward J. P. B. Williams, transferring him to the Diocese of Springfield, Ill.

September 25, Sunday: The 16th after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I received the Holy Communion. The Rev. A. W. Pierce officiated.

October 2, Sunday: The seventeenth after Trinity. Owing to heavy rains and my rheumatism, I was housed all day.

October 6, Thursday: At the House of Bishops, General Convention, Washington City, D. C., all day.

October 7, Friday: At the House of Bishops all day.

October 8, Saturday: At the House of Bishops all morning.

October 9, Sunday: The eighteenth after Trinity. At 11 a. m. I attended service in the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.

October 10, Monday: The House of Bishops.

October 11, Tuesday: House of Bishops and the Board of Missions.

October 13, Thursday: House of Bishops.

October 14, Friday: House of Bishops.

October 16, Sunday: The nineteenth after Trinity. At 10:45 a. m. I preached in Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. At 7:30 p. m. I preached again.

October 23, Sunday: The twentieth after Trinity. Spent in the country, three miles from Metuchen, N. J.; want of conveyance, added to bitter cold weather, prevented my attending services.

October 25, Tuesday: At the House of Bishops again.

October 30, Sunday: The twenty-first after Trinity. The weather too cold for me to attend services in the Cathedral.

November 6, Sunday: The twenty-second after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I celebrated the Holy Eucharist.

November 13, Sunday: The twenty-third after Trinity. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I read the Pastoral Letters of the House of Bishops.

November 20, Sunday: Next before Advent. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I received the Holy Communion.

November 23, Wednesday: I this day accepted the Letters Dimissory presented by the Rev. W. D. Buckner, from the Diocese of Southern Virginia.

November 24, Thursday: National Thanksgiving. The cold weather forbade my attending services.

November 27, Sunday: The first in Advent. Again my state of health and the cold weather prevented me from attending services.

December 4, Sunday: The second in Advent. A snowstorm last night kept me housed all day, the furnace in the Cathedral not being in working order.

December 11, Sunday: The third in Advent. At 11 a. m. in St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, I preached and celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by the Rector, the Rev. J. J. Vaulx. At 7:30 I preached and confirmed two persons (2 males), and addressed the class. These confirmations were administered at the request of Bishop Brown.

December 18, Sunday: The fourth in Advent. At 11 a. m. in St. John's Church, Fort Smith, I preached, confirmed six persons

(5 males, 1 female), addressed the class and celebrated the Holy Eucharist.

December 25, Sunday: Christmas Day. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by Dean Hobbs.

January 1, Sunday: The Circumcision. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I received the Holy Communion.

January 8, Sunday: The first after Epiphany. I preached in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, at the morning service.

January 14, Saturday: At 3 p. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I officiated at a funeral, assisted by Dean Hobbs.

January 15, Sunday: The second after Epiphany. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by Dean Hobbs.

January 22, Sunday: The third after Epiphany. I attended morning service in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

January 25, Wednesday: St. Paul's Day. The anniversary of my consecration to the Episcopate. I celebrated the Holy Eucharist in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, at 10 a. m. The Venerable Dr. Webber was gospeler and preached. Dean Hobbs was epistoler.

January 29, Sunday: Septuagesima. At 11 a. m. I consecrated to the service and worship of Almighty God the substantial and beautiful new St. John's Church, at Helena. In this service I had the pleasure and honor of being assisted by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Dudley, Bishop of Kentucky, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Brown, Bishop-Coadjutor of Arkansas. Judge Thweatt read the instrument of donation and Bishop Brown read the sentence of consecration. Bishop Dudley preached the sermon. I said the Communion office, the Bishop of Kentucky being gospeler, and Bishop Brown being epistoler. I celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by Bishop Dudley and Bishop Brown.

January 30, Monday: I conducted the examination of the Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Deacon, for the Priesthood, aided by the Rev. A. W. Pierce, and the Rev. William Cross. The Rev. Mr. Weed has recently presented Letters Dimissory from the Diocese of New-ark, N. J.

February 4: I this day gave Letters Dimissory to the Rev. W. T. Allen, transferring him to the Diocese of West Missouri. I was very reluctant to part with so able and faithful a Priest.

February 5, Sunday: Sexagesima. The ground being a glare of ice and the temperature much below the freezing point, I necessarily remained at home.

February 12, Sunday: Quinquagesima. The thermometer this morning was 12½ degrees below zero, the coldest weather I have known in Arkansas. I could not attend the services.

February 15, Wednesday: Ash Wednesday. Crippled up by rheumatism and at home all day.

February 19, Sunday: The first in Lent. Attended morning service, and received the Holy Communion.

February 26, Sunday: The second in Lent. Attended morning services in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

March 5, Sunday: The third in Lent. I preached and received the Holy Communion in St. Peter's Church, Columbia, Tenn., at the morning service.

March 10, Friday: In St. Peter's Church, Columbia, Tenn., I preached at the night service.

March 12, Sunday: The fourth in Lent. In the morning I baptized an infant and preached in St. Peter's Church, Columbia, Tenn.

March 16, Thursday: I confirmed in my parlor one person (1 female), registered for Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

March 19, Sunday: The fifth in Lent. At 11 a. m. in St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, Ark., I preached and celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by the Rev. W. G. Coote, minister in charge. At 7:30 p. m. I preached again, confirmed seven persons (2 males, 5 females), and addressed the class.

March 26, Sunday: Next before Easter. At 11 a. m. in Christ Church, Little Rock, the Rev. G. G. Smeade, Rector, said the Ante-Communion. I preached, confirmed nine persons (2 males, 7 females), addressed the class, and celebrated the Holy Eucharist. At 4 p. m. I assisted in saying evening service in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

March 30, Thursday: I this day accepted the Letters Dimissory presented by the Rev. R. W. Rhames, from the Diocese of Missouri, and sent Canonical notice of said acceptance. At 4 p. m. I attended services in Trinity Cathedral.

March 31, Friday: Good Friday. I attended morning service in Trinity Cathedral.

April 2, Sunday: Easter Day. At 11 a. m. I celebrated the Holy Eucharist in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, assisted by Dean Hobbs, and the Rev. A. W. Pierce. At 4 p. m. I preached, confirmed eight persons (2 males, 6 females), and addressed the class.

April 6, Thursday: At 5 p. m. I officiated at a funeral in Little Rock.

April 9, Sunday: The first after Easter. At 11 a. m. in St. John's Church, Helena, I preached, confirmed fifteen persons (5 males, 10 females), addressed the class, and celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by Dean Lockwood. At 8 p. m. I assisted in saying evening service and preached in St. Andrew's Church, Marianna.

April 10, Monday: At 8 p. m. I said the evening service and preached in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

April 14, Friday: This day I accepted the resignation of the Rev. Douglas I. Hobbs as Dean of Trinity Cathedral, the same to take effect on the 1st day of May, 1899.

April 16, Sunday: The second after Easter. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, I preached, confirmed eleven persons (6 males, 5 females), addressed the class, and celebrated the Holy Eucharist, assisted by the Rector, the Rev. W. D. Buckner. At night I preached again.

April 23, Sunday: The third after Easter. I assisted at morning service in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

April 30, Sunday: The fourth after Easter. At 11 a. m. in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, I celebrated the Holy Eucharist. At 4 p. m. I said evening prayer and lectured.

May 1, Monday: I this day gave Letters Dimissory to the Rev. Douglas I. Hobbs, transferring him to the Diocese of Nebraska.

SUMMARY.

Sermons preached.....	24
Addresses made.....	17
Eucharists celebrated.....	17
Number confirmed.....	65
Ordinations, Priest.....	1
Letters Dimissory accepted.....	3
Letters Dimissory given.....	4
Churches consecrated.....	1
Corner stone laid.....	1
Marriages.....	1
Baptisms (infants).....	2
Funerals.....	2
Miles traveled.....	7,145

The marriages, baptisms, and funerals referred to here are registered in the Parishes where they took place, and will be included in their reports.

CONFIRMATIONS.

For St. John's Church, Helena.....	15
For Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	11
For Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	9
For Christ Church, Little Rock.....	9
For St. John's Church, Fort Smith.....	7
For St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.....	7
For Church of the Redeemer, Nashville.....	3
For St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville.....	2
For St. Barnabas's Mission, Baring Cross.....	2

65

The Bishop-Coadjutor will report the confirmations made by him.

COLLECTIONS FOR THE CHURCH DEBT AT DARDANELLE.

Hot Springs.....	\$22.00
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	17.12
Pine Bluff.....	16.00
Trinity Cathedral.....	3.26
Helena.....	6.50
Marianna.....	2.50
Forrest City.....	2.11
	\$69.49

Before closing, I have one suggestion to make. I think that we have all found that in some few points our excellent Code of Canons are too indefinite, and, it may be, in some other points defective. I think it would be wise to create a small committee to carefully examine the matter and report to the next Annual Council what changes are absolutely required. The committee should be small—and it should invite the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese to express their views to them concerning what they may deem necessary changes.

With this suggestion, I leave you to prosecute the work before you. May the Holy Ghost be with you to guide you in all of your proceedings, and in all of your utterances.

HENRY NILES PIERCE,
Bishop of Arkansas.

APPENDIX II.

**FIRST ADDRESS TO THE ANNUAL
COUNCIL OF DIOCESE.**

By Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop-Coadjutor of Arkansas.

Rt. Rev. Father in God and Brethren of the Council:

I was consecrated Bishop in the Church of God, with jurisdiction as the Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas, in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, on St. John Baptist Day, June 24, 1898.

Your venerable Diocesan and I had, before my acceptance of the election, agreed upon what my jurisdiction as his Coadjutor should be. The document relating to this matter runs as follows:

**AGREEMENT RESPECTING THE INTERPRETATION OF
THE BISHOP OF ARKANSAS'S OFFICIAL ASSIGN-
MENT OF JURISDICTION TO HIS
COADJUTOR.**

"1. In his communication to the annual council, held in the city of Little Rock May, 1897, the Bishop of Arkansas spoke of his intention to 'assign all of the mission work of the Diocese to the Coadjutor.'

"2. It is understood by this brief but comprehensive official statement concerning jurisdiction that should the Bishop-Coadjutor-elect be consecrated, he will be given the sole administration of the whole mission field and of all mission and Church extension funds, providing, however, that the pledges already made on behalf of such funds for the year ending September 1, 1898, shall be made good; but meantime all new assignments of stipends to missionaries will be in the hands of the Coadjutor. It is further understood that the mission field comprises every missionary station and Parish receiving aid, whether from the Diocesan or General Board of Missions, and also all places and districts where there is no self-supporting organized representation of the Church. The whole of this field shall be under the jurisdiction of the Bishop-Coadjutor. If any congregation belonging to this field at the time of the Coadjutor's consecration should become self-supporting, it is to remain under his jurisdiction.

"3. All missionaries, whether Clerical or Lay, are to be appointed by the Bishop-Coadjutor.

"4. Regular official visitations will be made only by the Diocesan and the Coadjutor, each in his own portion of the jurisdiction; but the Coadjutor, with the consent of the Diocesan; the Diocesan, upon giving notice, if practicable, to the Coadjutor, may visit any part of the Diocese for the purpose of administering confirmation, or any of the sacraments, rites, or services of the Church.

"5. In the absence of the Bishop, the Coadjutor may administer confirmation at the request of the clergymen and with the consent of the Bishop anywhere in the Diocese; and the Bishop, in the absence of the Coadjutor, may confirm anywhere in the missionary part of the Diocese; but as a rule, each Bishop will administer confirmation in his own field.

"We, the undersigned, hereby agree to this interpretation of the aforesaid official assignment of jurisdiction.

(Signed.)

"H. N. PIERCE,

"Bishop of Arkansas.

"WM. M. BROWN,

"Bishop-Coadjutor-Elect."

My first sermon and celebration of the holy communion as Bishop was in Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio, on June 26, the Sunday after my consecration. Here in "Old Trinity," as it is popularly called, as a convert from Methodist Episcopacy to the Apostolic Episcopacy, I was baptized, hypothetically, in 1879, in my 24th year. Here I was shortly after confirmed, admitted to the holy communion, and in the course of time ordained to the Diaconate; preached my first sermon, and celebrated the holy communion for the first time; was married, installed Archdeacon of Ohio, and consecrated Bishop-Coadjutor of Arkansas.

In the evening of Sunday, June 26, I preached at Emanuel Church, Cleveland. This Sunday terminated exactly seven years of service as the general missionary or Archdeacon of Ohio, that work having been taken up by me on July 1, 1891.

On the first Sunday in July I began work in my new field with an address to the Cathedral Sunday School, and a sermon to its morning congregation. This was on July 3, 1898. The record of visitations made and work done since then to April 30, 1899, is as follows:

Little Rock—Trinity Cathedral, eight visits; Christ Church, four; Baring Cross Mission, three; St. Philip's Mission, three. Batesville—St. Paul's Church, two. Newport—St. Paul's Church, two. Marianna—St. Andrew's Church, two. Helena—St. John's Church, three. Forrest City—Good Shepherd Church, one. Jonesboro—St. Mark's Church, three. Searcy—(Preaching Station), four. Fort Smith—St. John's Church, two. Eureka Springs—St. James's Church, one. Fayetteville—St. Paul's Church, one. Hot Springs—St. Luke's

Church, one. Camden—St. John's Church, two. Brinkley—St. Luke's Mission, one. Morrilton—St. Agnes's Church, two. Lonoke—(Preaching Station), one. El Dorado—(Preaching Station), one. Monticello—(Preaching Station), two. Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's Mission, one. Washington—Grace Church, one. Hope—St. Mark's Church, two. Wynne—(Preaching Station), two. Clarendon—(Preaching Station), one. Lake Village—(Preaching Station), one. Mena—(Preaching Station), one. Arkansas City—(Preaching Station), one. Van Buren—Trinity Church, two. Nashville—Church of Our Redeemer, one. Rocky Comfort—(Preaching Station), one. Pine Bluff—Trinity Church, one. La Grange—(Preaching Station), one. Total number of places visited, 35; total number of visits, 65.

My visitations have extended over from one to seven days, during which I have held from one to eighteen services. My regular visitations to missions, parishes, and stations comprise three days, and from seven to nine services. The following places have each received a three days' visitation: Marianna—St. Andrew's Church, July 8 to 10, 1898. Little Rock—Baring Cross Mission, November 6 to 8, 1898. Brinkley—St. Luke's Mission, November 20 to 23, 1898. Morrilton—St. Agnes's Church, November 27 to 30, 1898. Jonesboro—St. Mark's Mission, December 11 to 13, 1898. Batesville—St. Paul's Church, December 25 to 28, 1898. Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's Mission, January 1 to 4, 1899. Washington—Grace Church, January 8 to 10, 1899. Hope—St. Mark's Church, January 22 to 25, 1899. Mena—(Preaching Station), February 5 to 8, 1899. Lake Village—(Preaching Station), February 19 to 21, 1899. Van Buren—Trinity Church, February 26 to 28, 1899. Fort Smith—St. John's Church, March 5 to 7, 1899. Searcy—(Preaching Station), March 12 to 14, 1899. Pine Bluff—Trinity Church, March 19 to 22, 1899. Helena—St. John's Church, March 26 to 31, 1899. Little Rock—St. Philip's Church, January 15 and April 16 and 17, 1899. Rocky Comfort—(Preaching Station), April 23 to 25, 1899. Total number of places that received extended visitations, 18.

It is my intention to make as many of these prolonged visitations as time and strength will admit of. For the present I hope to get to all our mission parishes and stations once a year. Of course such visitations must manifestly be less frequent as the work grows, once in, say, two or three years. But these longer visitations are not to prevent shorter ones whenever there is a class to be confirmed or other urgent cause for my presence.

I adopted the plan of extended visitations because I believe it to be my duty as a chief shepherd to know the flock, and to take part in its instruction in the way of life.

With one or two exceptions, I have so far succeeded in calling at the homes of all our people in the several mission parishes and stations visited. I make it a point to visit not only those who are

recognized as of our constituency, but also all who are known to be inclined towards the Church. I regard this visiting as doubling at least my opportunities for usefulness. In fact, a long experience convinces me that in mission work there is nothing quite so effective as house-to-house preaching.

Total number of services held, 135; total number of sermons preached, 94; total number of addresses made, 42; total number of lectures delivered, 53; total number of sermons, addresses, and lectures, 189. Number of persons baptized, 15; number of persons confirmed, 56; celebration of the holy communion, 33; marriages solemnized, 2; consultations with Vestries and parish meetings, 14. Attended three meetings of the Diocesan Board of Missions. Assisted at the consecration of St. John's Church, Helena.

All Bishops are called upon to do more or less work outside of their Dioceses.

Acting upon the advice of our Diocesan, I accepted an urgent invitation of the chancellor of the University of the South to attend the annual meeting of the board of trustees, which convened on July 27. I was present at the opening session, and remained four days. I left beautiful Sewanee Mountain with a most favorable impression of the university and its professors. It is certainly a splendid institution, with magnificent possibilities. I believe that the hope of the Church throughout this fair Southland is to a great extent bound up in it. I therefore regard it as my duty to attend the trustee meetings from year to year. I was glad to find Arkansas so well represented on the board by Dean Lockwood and Mr. John M. Daggett. I am anxious that our Diocese should do its part, not only in the councils of this great and growing seat of learning, but also in the financial support of it. Each of the Dioceses entitled to representation on the board is expected to pay into the treasury of the university a specified sum. I understand that the amount apportioned to us is \$100, and I earnestly hope that we will not fail to meet this very moderate demand upon us. The assessment is for the theological department.

While at Sewanee I made an address at the laying of the corner stone of a fine new dormitory building, and acted as the chairman of the judges appointed to award the prizes at a very interesting and creditable oratorical contest.

The work done at the University of the South is of the highest order. This is shown to be the case in the college department by the fact that out of six prizes awarded annually to competitors, representing all of our Church colleges, four of them were carried off last year by the "Sewanee boys."

Vice Chancellor Wiggins is one of the most capable, up-to-date men of all the heads of similar institutions in this country. His annual report to the board of trustees showed that our university is making most substantial and satisfactory progress along every line.

The whole faculty appears to be composed of able, self-sacrificing, noble men. We ought to let them feel the encouragement of all the support we can give them.

I attended the opening service and the session of the general convention held in the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C., from October 4 to 22, 1898. I was in point of consecration the youngest member of the House of Bishops.

I rejoice that the convention is responsible for very little, if any, unwise legislation, but am sorry that it did not adopt some scheme for the creation of a provincial system; that more was not done to solve the great problem of reaching the unchurched masses, and that it was not made unlawful for a clergyman of the Church to solemnize the marriage of any divorced person whose husband or wife is living.

I took no part in the discussions of the House of Bishops, but upon one of the occasions when both houses sat together as the board of domestic and foreign missions, I made an address concerning the condition, prospects, and needs of the Diocese of Arkansas. In that address, which you will be glad to learn was very kindly received, I showed that as matters now stand, Arkansas, all things considered, is the largest missionary field of the Episcopal Church in the United States, that this is largely accounted for by the fact that our general board has done comparatively so little for us, and that this neglect should now be atoned for by quadrupling the appropriation made for us. There had been of late a strong disposition on the part of the board of managers to withdraw all appropriations from organized Dioceses. I was assured by many that my address would nip that movement in the bud.

I accompanied the excursion to Jamestown, Va., the cradle of the American Church, where, in the presence of the venerable ruins of the sacred edifice in which our spiritual ancestors of two hundred and fifty years ago worshiped, I joined in appropriate devotional ceremonies and listened to inspiring historical addresses.

Of the three Sundays which came within the convention season, the first was spent very pleasantly at the excellent Hannah More Academy for young ladies, at Reisterstown, Md., where I had been invited to preach. I preached at the morning and afternoon services, and at night made an address to a missionary society kept up by the young ladies. I must have made a good impression upon my fair audience, for they voted me the collection for the evening and all that was in their treasury to augment our Arkansas mission chapel and rectory building fund.

I spent Sunday, October 22, at Baltimore, preaching in the morning at St. George's Church, and in the afternoon at "Old St. Paul's."

While at my summer home at Gallon, Ohio, I conducted divine service and preached on two successive Sunday mornings in the only Church of which I had ever been the rector. This was August 21 and 28. On Sunday, September 25, I conducted morning and evening prayer and preached twice at the Mission Church of the Good Shepherd, Cardington, Ohio.

Speaking of my summer home, reminds me to say, by way of parenthesis, that I am expecting for some years to come to occupy it from July to October. I am told that it will be advisable for me to spend the summers at the North. In any case I should feel obliged to secure three months each year for study. My extended and frequent visitations make it impossible for me to do any studying during the eight months that I propose to spend in the field. I shall be at home at the most on an average only two days of each week, and experience convinces me that they will be fully occupied with correspondence and the business details of my work.

But my absence from the Diocese for so long each summer does not mean that the mission field will be neglected. Fortunately there is a very quick mail service between Gallon, Ohio, and all points reached by the railroads of Arkansas, and when occasions arise requiring my personal presence, I can leave at 5:45 one morning and reach almost any place in Arkansas sometime in the course of the next day. My train would reach Little Rock at 7:35 a. m.

As I shall be at home all the time, mail or telegrams addressed to me at my summer residence will generally reach me quicker and receive prompter attention than when I am at Little Rock.

The Church clubs of the northwestern cities of St. Paul, Minneapolis, Fond du Lac, and Chicago arranged for a course of Lenten lectures concerning the history and claims of the Church, to be delivered by the Bishops of Missouri, Mississippi, Fond du Lac, and Louisiana. At a late day the learned and eloquent Bishop of Mississippi was obliged to drop out and I was honored with an urgent invitation to take his place. I accepted. This lecture was delivered at St. Paul April 11, Minneapolis on the 12th, Fond du Lac on the 13th, and Chicago on the 14th. On the preceding Sunday I preached at Christ Church, Little Rock, and on the following Sunday I began my annual visitation to St. Phillip's Mission, Little Rock.

I think that this trip is a good illustration of the wonderful traveling facilities afforded by our modern railway systems. I speak of this because it illustrates the difference between the conditions under which I begin my work in Arkansas and those under which our venerable Diocesan and the other Bishops began theirs. I find upon inquiry that it used to take them two nights and a day to get from Little Rock to Washington, and cost \$18. Now I make the trip in five or six hours, and ride on a pass. They had to endure all the discomforts of a stage coach over a stumpy, stony, rutty road; I

enjoy the comfort of a parlor car over one of the smoothest and best tracks in the country.

On July 20 I met for the first time the board of managers for Diocesan missions. The meeting was held in the Bishop's study. At that time I outlined what my policy would be regarding the administration of the missionary funds, which, according to the terms of the Bishop's agreement with me, would be under my control from and after September 1, 1898. My idea was, and is, to have the board share with me the responsibility of making all appropriations, whether from money received from Diocesan or outside sources.

In regard to the filling of vacancies, I stated that it was my intention to, so far as possible, divide this responsibility with the board also, and especially with the congregation concerned. My general policy will be not to make an appointment until the candidate for the vacant mission parish or station has been on and spent a few days, including at least one Sunday, in the field, with the understanding that if he and the people are mutually pleased, he will be placed in charge or called to the work—otherwise, not. I do not invite anyone to visit a vacant place until I am convinced as the result of a most careful, extended investigation that he would not be a misfit.

My list of questions about the applicant for work in all cases where I am not personally well acquainted with the man, are the following:

1. Does he impress you as being a thoroughly good man?
2. Is he a faithful, skillful pastor?
3. Does he read the service impressively?
4. Does he preach acceptably?
5. Does he wear well?
6. If married, are his wife and the members of his family a help to him?
7. If a foreigner, is he naturalized and thoroughly Americanized?
8. Is he a man of such tact as is needed in a divided congregation and in a community where the prejudice against the Church is strong?
9. Is his record as to Church work good, that is, does he leave a parish better than he found it?
10. Does he belong to the so-called "Catholic" or Ritualistic school of churchmanship?
11. Is he judicious and capable in business matters?
12. Is he free from hurtful habits and eccentricities?

You will see from these questions that I have started out with the determination to, if possible, secure a high grade of men for our mission field. When I find one who, in my judgment "fills the bill," I tell him that if he will come and take what I have to give him and

do good work for two or three years, he may count on me and the members of the missionary committee doing all we possibly can to promote his welfare when one of our more desirable parishes falls vacant. I hope that the Laity of such parishes will take note of this promise and help me to keep the excellent clergymen whom I am securing by not going outside of our Diocese for their new Rectors from this on.

A word regarding the policy by which our board of missions is likely to be governed in the making of appropriations will not be out of place here. We do not propose to let any mission, parish, or station have the undivided services of a clergyman which receives an appropriation of as much as \$200 unless it is able and willing to make good to the missionary a reduction by the board of 20 per cent per year until the congregation is self-supporting. The majority of the board has felt that it is an injustice to the isolated members of the Church scattered through the Diocese for any one, two, or three congregations to continue to receive the ministrations of a clergyman year after year without approaching a self-supporting condition. Accordingly I gave notice that if my influence will bring it about, all stipends of long standing are likely to be systematically reduced from year to year.

Within the council year one mission station has been duly organized at Searcy. The following preaching stations, which give more or less promise of development, have been established: Mena, Monticello, Lake Village, Arkansas City, Russellville, Lonoke, El Dorado, Siloam Springs, Wynne, La Grange. The outlook at Mena, Siloam Springs, and Lake Village is especially good.

At the second meeting of the board of missions I was requested to call the attention of our parishes, mission, and preaching stations to the fact that very few offerings were being sent in to our treasurer, and to appeal for a quarterly collection. I complied with this request in a circular letter bearing date Ash Wednesday, 1899. The response was quite general and gratifying. May I remind you again that our missionary stipends are paid quarterly in September, December, March, and June, and that we hope for a collection from every one of our congregations each quarter. I trust that the clergy will adopt some systematic method of making the collections as large as possible; but in any case I beg that you will not fail to give the people an opportunity to give something each quarter towards the great work of Church extension in our extensive and promising mission field, the most so of any in all this country.

Since my consecration two of our missionaries, the Rev. E. J. P. B. Williams and the Rev. G. W. Flowers, have left the Diocese. The Rev. Mr. Williams resided at Mammoth Spring, and was practically a missionary at large, as he had several widely separated stations under his charge; among others Jonesboro, Brinkley, Imboden,

Forrest City, and Marianna. Mr. Flowers was Rector of Trinity Church, Van Buren.

The following clergymen have taken up work in the Diocese: The Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, at St. Paul's, Batesville, in November, 1898; the Rev. I. M. Merlinjones at St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton, in December, 1898; the Rev. R. W. Rhames at St. Paul's, Newport, February, 1899; the Rev. P. P. Boland, at St. Mark's, Hope, on April 23, 1899.

Total number of removals, 2; total accessions, 4.

The following is a full list of the missionaries of this Diocese at present in order according to the length of service:

The Rev. J. J. Vaulx, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville; the Rev. D. B. Ramsey, Rector of St. John's Church, Camden; the Rev. A. W. Pierce, Rector of Grace Church, Washington, and the Church of Our Redeemer, Nashville; the Rev. R. S. James, D. D., LL. D., Rector of St. James's Church, Eureka Springs; the Rev. I. P. Daniels, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Little Rock; the Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Batesville; the Rev. I. M. Merlinjones, in charge of St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton; the Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport; the Rev. P. P. Boland, in charge of St. Mark's Church, Hope. Total number of missionaries now in the field, 9.

I am thankful to say that some, perhaps all, of the Rectors of our self-supporting parishes are in varying degrees missionaries. I know that two of them, Deans Lockwood and Hobbs, have done a great deal of effective work in the mission field. If we give all the Rectors of self-supporting parishes the credit of being missionaries the number at present is only twelve. Think of it! Twelve clergymen in the vast mission field of Arkansas! Truly the harvest is great, but the laborers are few! There should be, at the very least, on an average one missionary for each county. As there are seventy-five counties more than six times as many clergymen as we now have ought to be in the field. Of course I dare not entertain the hope that these can be secured in the near future.

I should be more than content if I could see my way clear to get a convocational missionary for each of these convocations, which contain an average of twenty-five counties, but the support for even one general missionary for the whole Diocese is not in sight. What shall we do? I answer, brethren of the Clergy and Laity, let us not be disheartened, but do the best we can and pray that the Lord of the Harvest will in His own good time come to our help with more reapers.

I have seriously thought of making an effort to secure the services of a general missionary for the whole Diocese, but, aside from the question of salary, there is the almost insuperable difficulty arising

ing from the vast extent of the territory to be covered. The efforts of one general missionary would, in such a Diocese, necessarily be spread out so thin as to make it impossible to accomplish much; moreover, his traveling expenses would be at least \$600 a year. Estimating \$1,500 as the salary, which, without a house, would certainly be the least amount for which we could hope to secure a capable man, and add \$600 for expenses, and we have \$2,100.

As matters now stand, the raising of this amount seems to be out of the question, unless the General Board of Missions will come to our rescue with an additional appropriation of the whole amount necessary for the support of such a general missionary.

I have thought of a make-shift which may be practicable, namely, the putting of a cheaper man into the field to develop under my direction the more promising among the newly established mission or preaching stations. Such a man would, I estimate, cost, all told, about \$1,000 per year. I have about determined, the council approving, to make immediate application to the General Board for the \$1,000.

Should the plan meet with the approval of the council I should be glad if it would appoint a representative committee to draft a petition for the appropriation. I feel quite certain that such a reasonable petition, coming from the council, would have great weight. I would, of course, accompany the petition with as strong a letter as I could write, to which I have no doubt our venerable Diocesan would add his indorsement.

If we can get the appropriation, I believe I can secure an itinerate, or rather, "portable" missionary, who will be nearly, if not quite, as useful to the Diocese as a general missionary would be. However this may be, it is, I think, the best that can be done, and I go upon the principle that when we cannot get a whole loaf, we had better take half of one rather than go without any bread.

One way for us to make up to some degree for the lack of an adequate staff of missionaries is for each parish to become a missionary center, and for every resident clergyman to regard himself as being responsible for the pastoral care of isolated members of the Church within the halfway limits of the adjoining parish. This would give most of our Rectors and missionaries a vast and interesting field. In fact, each one of them will have a little, if not a large, Diocese all to himself. Of course, in most cases they can do no more than hold an occasional week day evening service for the scattered members of their flock, but such services will often prove to be very fruitful in results. They will, first of all, keep our people from wandering away to other folds; they will also advertise the Church widely in communities where otherwise she would be almost unknown, and much sooner than might be expected by those who

have no experience in such advanced work, they will, in nine cases out of ten, be the means of creating a demand for a mission.

I believe that the average clergyman can almost double his usefulness by going out to accessible county seats or important towns, say twice a month.

My idea is that the Diocesan Board of Missions should reimburse the clergy for the expense of such missionary trips. In many cases the collections which should be taken for the Board would amount to as much, if not more, than the outlay. The adoption of this policy by the Clergy and Board would, I think, go far towards making good the loss arising from our inability to put a general missionary or convocational missionaries in the field. In fact, I am very certain that no one general missionary or even three such missionaries could do anything like as much to advance the Church in this or any other Diocese as could be done by the parochial clergy, if they would improve their many and great opportunities.

In this connection, I want to give you official notice of the existence of "The Arkansas Mission, Chapel, and Rectory Building Fund."

This is a fund which was established by the collection taken at my consecration service, and to which I devote all my visitation collections. Its object is quite fully described by the name. It was created for the purpose of assisting mission congregations to secure a lot and build a chapel or rectory, or both.

In undertaking work at a new place, the first step after holding a few initiatory services, is the organization of a woman's guild, which goes to work for the purpose of securing a lot and the building of a chapel. The conditional promise of some outside help has been found by experience to act as a wonderful stimulus to the ladies. The fund is wholly under my control, and I make pledges from it to the extent of my ability upon the condition that the balance of the money necessary to buy a lot and erect the chapel or rectory, or both, free of debt, be raised before I shall be called to make good my promise on behalf of the building fund.

I hope to build up the fund so that I may be able to promise \$500 to all guilds organized in the more important unoccupied places of the Diocese. At present I am running the risk of offering \$200 for each building enterprise that I see fit to suggest and encourage.

I have so far made pledges of \$200 to the guilds of each of the following places: Jonesboro, Newport, Marianna, Searcy, Monticello, and Mena.

I have also pledged \$50 to the Vestry of the Mission of Our Redeemer, Nashville, to assist them in securing a new lot upon which to move their badly located chapel.

In addition to the collections taken at my visitation services, the

fund is supported by individual subscriptions. So far very little effort has been made to secure subscriptions, but more will be done in that direction during the coming convention. Blanks for subscriptions have been prepared, and may be obtained of me or of the secretary of the Diocese. They read as follows:

PLEDGE TO THE MISSION CHURCH AND RECTORY
BUILDING FUND OF THE DIOCESE OF
ARKANSAS.

.....Arkansas,
.....189..

The undersigned will, upon due notification, pay to the Bishop-Coadjutor of Arkansas, or to his representative, for the Arkansas Mission Church and Rectory Building Fund, the sum of..... dollars for every mission, chapel, or rectory, the building of which the Bishop-Coadjutor sees fit to encourage by a gift of \$500. This promise is to be void upon my notification of its withdrawal.

\$..... Signature.....
No....., street..... city..... State.....

I hope that many will be kind enough to secure one of these blanks, fill it out and leave it with the secretary or me before the close of the council. Any amount for each chapel or rectory from \$1 upwards will be thankfully received.

I believe that as the years go by the building fund will prove itself to be a great and indispensable factor in the development of this Diocese. I request that the council appoint a committee to audit my building fund account, which is as follows:

Receipts—

Consecration offering.....	\$100.93
Huntley Mission.....	1.20
Batesville.....	10.20
Newport.....	3.85
Marianna.....	10.00
Forrest City.....	3.20
Jonesboro.....	2.70
Searcy.....	4.79
Fayetteville.....	9.62
Hot Springs.....	8.00
Cardington, Ohio.....	2.25
Hannah More Academy, Md.....	7.00
Camden Sunday School.....	2.58
Camden Church.....	13.10
Brinkley.....	6.05
Morrilton.....	9.15
Newport.....	8.17

Lonoke.....	\$ 1.00
El Dorado.....	3.00
Jonesboro.....	6.55
Monticello.....	5.15
Batesville.....	15.15
Mammoth Spring.....	4.43
Washington.....	4.45
Hope.....	16.50
Searcy.....	2.55
Mena.....	5.30
Lake Village.....	5.90
Arkansas City.....	5.35
Van Buren.....	12.06
Fort Smith.....	14.10
Searcy.....	13.66
Pine Bluff.....	28.10
Helena.....	26.11
Van Buren.....	2.30
Hope.....	1.40
Nashville.....	5.20
Rocky Comfort.....	5.75
Searcy.....	3.50
Marlanna.....	5.85
Arkadelphia.....	1.00
Miscellaneous.....	6.20
Interest.....	1.68
Total receipts.....	\$405.03
Expenditure, Jonesboro.....	200.00
Balance on hand.....	\$205.03

In view of the fact that we are likely to establish a good many preaching and mission stations in the course of the next five years, I regard this as an opportune time for a word concerning the type of churchmanship which I should like to see prevail in the mission field. It is what may be called, for the want of a better term, the "*via media*" type. I adopt this because a somewhat extended observation convinces me that extremes in the direction of either "low" or "high" church services are, in a great measure, a failure. Especially is this true, I think, of what are called "ritualistic" services. In places where the Church is new, or we have only one parish, I have never known a single instance when such services contributed, in the long run, to the building up of a congregation. On the other hand, I have known many instances where they have been ruinous. Being profoundly convinced that "ritualism" is, speaking generally, harmful in the mission field, I shall do all I can to discourage it. I have the less hesitancy in doing so because its advocates do not contend

that it is necessary to salvation. Therefore, in view of my conviction regarding the harmfulness or ritualistic services and my weighty responsibility for the development of the Church in Arkansas, I will not, I am sure, be blamed for doing all that in me lieth to guard against the blighting effects of excessive ritual in our budding or half-developed mission stations. When the fruit has fully developed into a self-supporting parish, I shall loosen the reins, but, even then, I shall never cease to advise against advanced services, especially in all cases where there is only one parish in the place.

I would respectfully request that the council consider the advisability of revising a little at six points in our Canon law so as to make provision, (1) for the nomination to the Bishop of the Deans of convocation by the clergy of the convocation concerned, (2) for the election of baptized men who are not communicants upon our Vestries, (3) for the election of senior and junior wardens by the congregation at the annual meeting, (4) for the prevention of beneficiaries of the Board of Missions being elected as a member of the Board of Managers, (5) for the reception of parishes and mission stations into union with the Diocese by the council instead of by the Bishop, (6) for the reduction of parishes to mission stations by the council instead of by the Bishop.

I cannot close this, my first annual address to the council, without some expression of appreciation and gratitude for the kind reception and cordial co-operation that have been accorded me by all our Rectors and missionaries and by every parish and mission station. Human nature being what it is, this is more than I had dared to hope for. I really expected and dreaded a good deal of coldness and some opposition. But in this I have been so far most happily disappointed, and as I have visited every congregation in the Diocese and have heard nothing to the contrary, I conclude that there is not a single clergyman or layman who would lay a straw in the way of my usefulness or happiness. Not only have I escaped opposition from the quarters in which it was expected, but some of my most efficient helpers have been from among those who were most strenuously opposed to my election and confirmation as the Bishop-Coadjutor of Arkansas; and I have no reason to doubt that all others who were on their side in that unhappy and prolonged controversy would have been equally helpful with the same opportunities.

For all this I bless God and thank my noble-hearted Christian brethren, who, for the love they bear to Christ and His Church, have sacrificed so much for the peace and harmony of this Diocese.

WM. M. BROWN,

Bishop-Coadjutor.

The Bishop-Coadjutor, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Wm. M. Brown, delivered his address at night to a large congregation. It was filled with the missionary spirit. At its close Wm. G. Whipple, Chancellor of the Diocese, introduced the following resolution:

Whereas, Since his consecration less than a year ago, by his exclusive devotion to the duties of his high office, by his tireless energy, his visitations to every portion of his broad field, his efficient work in many Parishes, his fervent zeal, his broad Catholicity of spirit, and his executive ability, our Bishop-Coadjutor, William Montgomery Brown, has merited especial recognition, and now general approval; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Council, voicing the sentiment of the Diocese, heartily accord to Bishop Brown their unqualified approbation of his work.

He supplemented the resolution with some eloquent remarks. It was seconded by the Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, late of Trinity, Pine Bluff, but now Rector of Christ Church, Little Rock, and by others. After some touching and tender words from Bishop Pierce, thanking the Chancellor for the sentiment expressed and the present attitude of former opponents of Bishop Brown, the resolution was unanimously passed by a rising vote.

Thus happily ended the episode of the election and consecration of a Bishop-Coadjutor, and the present condition cannot be better expressed than in the language of the Rev. G. Gordon Smeade in the report of the Committee on the State of the Church:

"Twelve months have brought about a wonderful change in this Diocese. To many of us, we confess, the future looked gloomy and sad indeed. Dissensions and heartburnings were visible everywhere. Conditions seemed almost irreconcilable. To-day, under the wise, tactful and consecrated zeal of the Bishop-Coadjutor, and an all-wise and overruling Providence, harmony and love sprang from chaos and bitterness. Consequently as always under such blessed conditions, the work of the Master is progressing on all Church lines. Indeed, the various reports read portray the dawn of a bright day. Truly the heart of our beloved Diocesan must bound with gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the bright outlook in the Diocese to which he has devoted the best years of his life. The message from our Bishops is one which is not only a satisfactory record of work done, but glows with hope for the years to come."

APPENDIX III.

Helena, Ark., May 1, 1899.

To the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

Brethren—I herewith submit my Seventh Annual Report of Receipts, Expenditures, and Present Value of the Permanent Episcopal Fund of the Diocese:

RECEIPTS.

May, 1898.

To balance on hand.....	\$		\$ 2,706.96
To loans last report and repaid by St. John's Church.....		246.64	
To Miles Place.....		450.00	
To Home B. & L.....		1,000.00	
To C. W. Waters (part).....		65.00	
To Straub Bros. (part).....		400.00	
To J. Goodman (part).....		80.00	
To Diocese of Arkansas (part).....		200.00	2,441.64

TO BUILDING STOCK, MATURED AND FORCED.

Payment on Same.

To Little Rock No. 13.....	\$	500.00	
To People's No. 1.....		5,668.00	
To Home No. 2, forced loan, one-tenth.....		160.00	6,328.00

FROM INTEREST.

Home B. & L. Association.....	\$	39.90	
People's B. & L. Association.....		28.10	
J. Goodman.....		15.35	
St. John's Church.....		20.67	
O. W. Waters.....		100.83	
Miles Place.....		40.50	
Library Bond.....		80.00	
Straub Bros.....		24.00	
Heslip.....		1.65	
Short loans.....		272.50	621.20

FROM DONATIONS.

St. Paul's, Batesville.....	\$	2.80	
P. K. Roots.....		5.00	7.80

PINE BLUFF PROPERTY.

To amount received on same for rent.....		248.00	
			\$12,353.60

EXPENDITURES.

1898—By loans made as per list.

By Diocese of Arkansas.....	\$ 500.00	\$
R. H. & H. N. Word.....	200.00	
J. S. Agee.....	500.00	
New L. Bap. Church.....	1,200.00	
J. Hislip.....	50.00	
D. W. Ellison.....	440.00	
G. S. Schnatz.....	500.00	
G. W. Willey.....	2,000.00	
Miles Place.....	400.00	5,790.00

Payments made on B. & L. dues and for new stock.

By People's No. 1.....	\$ 957.35	
By Little Rock No. 13.....	10.00	
By Home No. 2.....	97.80	
By Home No. 3.....	1,146.98	
By Home No. 5.....	170.75	
By People's No. 2.....	650.05	3,032.93

Bishop-Coadjutor's salary.

By P. K. Roots, treasurer.....	500.00	500.00
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Pine Bluff Property.

By vouchers for repairs, taxes, water, and expense, No. 1 to — inclusive.....	95.60
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Cash on hand.....	2,935.07
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\$12,353.60

PRESENT VALUE OF FUND.

Building and Loan Stock.	Amount.	Paid in.	Present Value.
Home Mutual, Series No. 2.....	\$1,600.00	\$ 886.00	\$ 1,344.00
Home Mutual, Series No. 3.....	3,700.00	1,436.98	1,709.40
Home Mutual, Series No. 5.....	1,000.00	170.75	190.00
People's, Series No. 2.....	2,000.00	650.05	768.04

Bills Receivable—

G. A. & H. H. Schwantz.....	\$ 500.00	\$ 502.25
J. Goodman.....	100.00	104.20
G. W. Willey.....	2,000.00	2,002.50
New Light B. Church.....	1,200.00	1,305.00
C. W. Waters.....	1,000.00	1,033.61
J. Goodman.....	390.00	438.95
J. S. Agee.....	500.00	513.65
R. H. & H. N. Word.....	200.00	217.00
Diocese of Arkansas.....	300.00	329.66
Straub Bros.....	800.00	858.93

DIocese of Arkansas.

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D. W. Ellison.....	\$ 440.00	\$ 444.00
J. Hilsip.....	50.00	50.00
Miles Place.....	400.00	417.70
Library bonds.....	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Pine Bluff property, former valuation.		3,936.00
Cash on hand.....		2,935.07
Value of fund at present time.....		\$20,000.96
Value of fund at close of last term.....		19,705.50
Net increase.....		\$ 304.46

S. S. FAULKNER,
Trustee.

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF DIOCESE.

DIOCESAN FUND.

1898.

May 5—Balance on hand at last report.....\$ 237.50

RECEIPTS.

June 18—From Episcopate Fund.....\$ 500.00

1899.

From St. Philip's Church, Little Rock.....	3.00
From St. James's Church, Eureka Springs.....	5.00
From Church of Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	5.00
From Grace Church, Washington.....	5.00
From St. Andrew's Church, Marianna.....	5.00
From St. John's Church, Camden.....	10.00
From St. Mark's Church, Hope.....	10.00
From St. Paul's Church, Newport.....	12.00
From St. Paul's Church, Batesville.....	15.00
From Trinity Cathedral.....	30.00
From Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	30.00
From St. John's Church, Fort Smith.....	50.00
From St. John's Church, Helena.....	50.00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	100.00
From Council collection.....	4.54

\$1,072.04

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expenses Standing Committee.

1898.

May 10—Expenses Standing Committee....\$ 9.40

June 8—Expenses Standing Committee.... 5.65

Nov. 10—Expenses Standing Committee.... 6.50

1899.

Jan. 13—Expenses Standing Committee.....	\$ 4.50	
Feb. 9—Expenses Standing Committee.....	7.95	\$ 34.00

To Arkansas Democrat—

June 6—Expenses Notification Committee..	5.25	
July 7—Publishing Journal.....	149.50	154.75

Expenses Consecration Bishop-Coadjutor—

July 24—Bishop Whitehead.....	8.00	
July 24—Bishop Vincent.....	13.00	
July 24—Ven. Frederick W. Taylor.....	17.96	
July 24—Bishop McLaren.....	21.00	
July 24—Bishop Atwell.....	25.00	
July 24—Bishop Seymour.....	35.00	
July 24—Rev. C. H. Lockwood.....	50.00	
July 24—Rev. D. I. Hobbs.....	50.00	
July 24—J. M. Daggett, Secretary.....	50.00	269.96

July 7—J. M. Daggett, Secretary, sending out Journals.....	15.10	
Aug. 15—Returned to Episcopate Fund.....	200.00	
Sept. 9—Buchanan Winthrop Treasurer, Diocesan Assessment.....	51.00	

1899.

May 5—J. M. Daggett, Secretary, salary....	75.00	
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Making total disbursements... ..	\$799.81
Balance on hand.....	\$272.23

APPENDIX V.

FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

1898.

May—Balance on hand at last report.....	\$ 86.54
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RECEIPTS.

Nov.—Trinity Cathedral.....	9.70
Nov.—St. Paul's, Batesville.....	6.60
Nov.—St. John's, Camden.....	8.00

1899.

St. Philip's, Little Rock.....	.50
Interest on paid up stock, building association.....	30.00
St. John's, Helena.....	18.68
	\$ 160.02

DISBURSEMENTS.

Twelve monthly payments to building association.....	62.00
Cash balance on hand.....	\$ 98.02
Paid in on installment building association stock.....	279.75
Paid up building association stock.....	500.00
Total amount of fund.....	\$ 877.77

APPENDIX VI.

BISHOP-COAJUTOR FUND.

St. John's Camden, paid in.....	\$50.00
Trinity Cathedral, paid in.....	15.00
Making amount as reported on hand, May 7, 1898..	65.00

RECEIPTS.

St. Philip's, Little Rock, A. W. Cole.....	2.00
Mrs. M. T. Sloane, Imboden.....	3.00
Church of the Redeemer, Nashville.....	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro.....	6.00
Grace Church, Washington.....	8.00
St. Mark's Church, Hope.....	10.00
St. Luke's Church, Brinkley.....	10.50
St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton.....	11.00
Church of Good Shephard, Forrest City.....	15.00
St. Paul's Church, Newport.....	16.00
Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	17.20
St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.....	20.00
Trinity Church, Van Buren.....	28.50
Trinity Cathedral (total, \$33), last year, \$15; this year....	18.00
St. Andrew's Church, Marianna.....	51.00
St. Paul's Church, Batesville.....	55.00
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	71.00
St. John's, Camden (total, \$100), last year, \$50; this year....	50.00
St. John's Church, Helena.....	150.00
Loan from Episcopate Fund.....	500.00
Total receipts.....	\$1,112.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

1899.

Feb. 14—Bishop Brown.....	\$750.00
May 5—Bishop Brown.....	250.00 \$1,000.00
Balance on hand.....	\$ 112.20

Respectfully submitted,

P. K. ROOTS,

May 5, 1899.

Treasurer.

APPENDIX VII.

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

To the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

It is a sore disappointment to me that I have to send greeting to you; that I cannot be present with you in body as I am in spirit. I am sure I voice the sentiment of each one present, when I wish you happiness in the year of service which will now begin, and bid you Godspeed in the good work of the Woman's Auxiliary. I hope the new faces you see at this time will become old friends, and your interest will be deepened and strengthened by this opportunity of meeting and becoming acquainted with those whom you have before known only by name and as members of the Auxiliary.

In reviewing the work of the past year there seems much ground for encouragement. Our united offering was larger than it has ever been. Several new branches have been organized, while new members have been added to those already formed. But we are far from satisfied with our work. Still in these days of multiplied charities and women's societies in and out of the Church, which make so many demands upon our time, strength, and means, the result is not altogether discouraging. None of us feel that it could be said of us, "she hath done what she could." We are sure all the branches feel they should be roused to better, more earnest work for the Master. May we not hope there is some woman, if not more, who will pray more and give more this year than in the years that are gone? Both prayers and alms are sorely needed. We feel that all the joys and privileges of Parish and Diocesan life which we have, had their beginning in the missionary zeal of our forefathers, and all we have as Christians has been won for us by the love, courage, and sacrifice of men who have spent their lives in the mission fields. So it is the duty imposed by inheritance that we be active in missionary work. I would ask, are we doing our work as it should be done? Could we not devote more time, practice more self-denial, thereby crowning our efforts with greater success?

To make this meeting one of profit to the Master, the duties of the hour should be taken up with great earnestness, and you should endeavor to make this the very best meeting you have ever held, to even send forth from it influences that will make the next annual better than this.

The sum total of all work is made up of little duties well performed, when all great principles will find their proper issue. Perhaps some can do more than others, but in order that real success may be attained, each member must resolve to do her whole duty. To know that we have aided even in little deeds in spreading the "faith which was once delivered unto the saints," is a blessed priv-

ilege. So let us renew our obligations in the Master's service and pray for strength to do better work in the future.

The Woman's Auxilliary should be made up from the entire membership of the Church. Those who have not time to attend meetings, or conform to other duties, should become members by subscription, and enlist every woman communicant to aid our Bishops in sending the Word of God to every village in our State. To love God is to love our neighbor as well, and if each Auxilliary member will yield to the prompting of the Holy Spirit in doing good, golden grain will enrich the harvest fields of our work.

The spiritual side of our work should never be ignored at our meetings. No meeting should be opened without prayer and some reading from God's word. One of the aimed objects of the Society is to pray for missions, and if we want a blessing on our work, as a body, we must seek it from the only source from whence such a blessing can come, and seek it in the right way. While business and work meetings are necessary for the management of the organization, the devotional side is absolutely essential to preserve its vitality. We ought to be, we can be, a great spiritual force in the Parish; if we are not, we fall short of our duty and privilege.

We should strive to organize more junior branches, for youth is the seed time. Let us sow patiently and unwearyingly in the minds of the children of to-day that the Church of the future may garner rich harvests of generous support and intelligent missionary enterprise.

While to-day we miss the lovely face and helping hand of one who labored so fervently, so untiringly with us, have we not cause to be thankful that in her place we have such an efficient, zealous Secretary?

In looking to the future let us never complain, never hold back, but instead let us grasp the possibilities of the hour. We cannot all attain to heights of greatness, but we can attain to the more acceptable greatness of being faithful. Our work has no actual holiday season, but in summer as well as in winter, something must be done. To us is intrusted the Christian faith to keep it clear and strong. "Christian faith is a grand cathedral with divinely pictured windows. Standing without you can see no glory, nor can possibly imagine any; standing within, every ray of light reveals a harmony of unspeakable splendors."

MRS. J. B. PILLOW.

APPENDIX VIII.

REPORT OF SECRETARY WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The work of the Auxiliary to the Board of Missions in this Diocese has been greatly retarded by the removal and death of the late lamented Rector of Christ Church, Rev. John Gass, and the resignation of his wife, who was the Diocesan Secretary. Not until February, 1899, was another Secretary appointed. The Diocesan president, Mrs. J. B. Pillow, on that date, forwarded the incumbent, at Galveston, Texas, the notice of the appointment made by Bishop Pierce. It was accepted, but some weeks elapsed before she returned to Little Rock and entered upon the duties of the office. Miss Emery, General Secretary at New York, and Mrs. Pillow, Diocesan President, gave prompt advice and instruction concerning these.

Pamphlets, leaflets, and circulars were liberally supplied by Miss Emery, who also suggested the preparing of a box for a clergyman's family in Griggsville, Ill., this to be done by one or more branches combined.

The Pine Bluff branch responded promptly to the proposition from the Christ Church branch, and promised aid in this work, which will be entered upon during the summer, as the appointment was received too late for an earlier undertaking. Circulars have been issued to all the branches within the Diocese. Responses have been received from Trinity Cathedral branch, Little Rock, Mrs. J. D. Hobbs, Secretary; from St. John's branch, Helena, Mrs. J. B. Pillow, Secretary; from Trinity branch, Pine Bluff, Mrs. J. E. Boon, Secretary, and from Christ Church branch, Little Rock, Mrs. W. A. Cantrell, Secretary, all of which are herewith respectfully presented.

(MRS. W. A.) ELLEN H. CANTRELL.

Little Rock, Ark., May 2, 1899.

APPENDIX IX.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

We find the following named Parishes are delinquent:

St. James's, Eureka Springs.....\$ 2.00

The following Parishes have not paid their assessment:

St. Paul's, Fayetteville.....	\$30.00
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.....	30.00
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.....	5.00
St. Agnes's, Morrilton.....	5.00
Redeemer, Nashville.....	3.00
Trinity, Van Buren.....	5.00

ASSESSMENT FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

St. Paul's, Batesville.....	\$ 20.00
St. John's, Camden.....	10.00
St. James's, Eureka Springs.....	7.00
St. John's, Helena.....	60.00
St. Paul's, Fayetteville.....	30.00
St. Mark's, Hope.....	15.00
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.....	40.00
St. John's, Fort Smith.....	50.00
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	115.00
Trinity, Little Rock...	30.00
St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	15.00
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.....	5.00
St. Agnes's, Morrilton.....	5.00
Redeemer, Nashville...	5.00
St. Paul's, Newport.....	20.00
Trinity, Pine Bluff.....	45.00
Trinity, Van Buren.....	15.00
Grace, Washington.....	5.00
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	10.00
St. Phillip's, Little Rock.....	5.00

\$502.00

REV. W. D. BUCKNER,
Chairman.

S. S. FAULKNER,
C. T. COFFMAN,
Committee.

APPENDIX X.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS

FOR THE CONCILIAR YEAR 1899.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, Independence County.

Rev. Caleb Brintnall Knevals Weed, Rector; residence, Batesville, Ark.; John Conway Fitzhugh, Lay Reader; John Conway Fitzhugh and Wm. Lawrence, Wardens; Wm. Ramsey, Clerk; James E. Rosebrough, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 163; number of families, 50. Baptisms—Adults, 1; confirmations, 7; burials, 1; number of confirmed persons, 85. Communicants—Admitted, 7; received, 1; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 83. Sunday School—Teachers, 7; pupils, 50; total, 57. Public Services—On Sunday, 88; on other days, 75; Holy Communion, 13. Sittings in the Church—Free, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscriptions and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$98.77; payment of debts, \$145; Clerical supply, \$5.60; Mission held by Rev. P. C. Webber, \$55.93; Rector's salary, \$300. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$55; Diocesan Missions, \$2.65; Episcopal Fund, \$2.80; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$6.60; Council tax, \$15; Bishop Brown's visitation in July, 1898, \$10.20; Bishop Brown's visitation in December, 1898, \$15.30. Total for all objects, \$712.85.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$700; value of Church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$200. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,900. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$55.

Sunday School offering for year, \$29.31; Sunday School offering in mite boxes for missions, \$20; money earned by children of Sunday School during Lent, 1899, for Church improvement, \$42.

The Parish was without a Rector from February 1 to November 1, during which time Mr. J. C. Fitzhugh, Senior Warden and Lay Reader, held one service on each Sunday, and kept the Sunday School together. I took charge as Deacon on November 1, and was made Priest on March 25, 1899. A branch of the Woman's Auxilliary to the Board of Missions has been organized. The Parish seems to be in good condition, and I trust will soon be an independent Parish. A solid silver Communion service, memorial to the late Rev. Caleb Alexander Bruce, second Rector, has been donated by the Parishes at Helena, Marianna, Forrest City, Newport, and Batesville, valued at \$82.

St. Luke's Church, Brinkley, Monroe County.

Fred Edward Sapp and Edward T. Owen, Wardens; John H. Davis, Clerk; Thomas Harry Jackson, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 26; number of families, 17. Baptisms—Infants, 2; number of confirmed persons, 24. Communicants—Died, 1; removed, 2; present number, 21. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 24; total, 29. Public Services—On Sunday, 16; on other days, 2; Holy Communion, 9. Sittings in the Church—Free, 125.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$3.60; current expenses, \$159.40. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$10.50. Missions—Domestic, \$5. Total for all objects, \$178.50.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of Church building, \$750; other Parish property, \$120. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,120.

St. John's Church, Camden, Ouachita County.

Rev. Daniel Breck Ramsey, Rector; residence, Camden, Ark.; P. Lynch Lee, Lay Reader; Joseph A. Reeves and P. Lynch Lee, Wardens; Orlin P. Reeves, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 75; number of families, 20. Baptisms—Infants, 7; confirmations, 2; burials, 2; number of confirmed persons, 47. Communicants—Received, 2; died, 3; removed, 5; present number, 42. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 23; total, 27. Public Services—On Sunday, 105; on other days, 74; Holy Communion, 19. Sitzings in the Church—Free, 180.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$45.30; current expenses, \$447.50; other Parochial expenses, \$42.50; addition to Rectory, \$375; mission, \$38; Sunday School lessons and literature, \$11.50. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$42; Episcopal Fund, \$50; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$8; Building Fund, \$16.28. Missions—General, \$14.20. Total for all objects, \$1,100.28.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of Church building, \$2,600; value of Rectory, \$800; other Parish property, \$200. Total value of all Parish property, \$4,600.

St. James's Church, Eureka Springs, Carroll County.

Rev. Richard Sexton James, D. D., Rector; residence, Eureka Springs, Ark.; Charles Dexter James, Lay Reader; James Frazer Sechler and Charles Dexter James, Wardens; James M. Church, Clerk; Charles D. James, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 34; number of families, 17. Baptisms—Adults, 2; confirmations, 2; burials, 7; number of confirmed persons, 34. Communicants—Died, 3; removed, 2; present number, 34. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 15; total, 18. Public Services—On Sunday, 56; on other days, 8; Holy Communion, 13. Sitzings in the Church—Free, 120.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$33.27; current expenses, \$175; painting the Church, \$40; fuel, \$8. Diocesan—Diocesan

assessment, \$5; Woman's Auxilliary, \$1.00. Total for all objects, \$262.87.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$800; value of Church building, \$150. Total value of all Parish property, \$950.

Several peculiarly unfavorable circumstances have contributed much to handicap our efforts to build up the Parish during the past year. Among them the long illness of our Rector, in consequence of which he was out of his pulpit for eight weeks, much of that time in bed. During this, however, services were maintained by the Lay Reader, with whom the communicants and adherents of the Parish co-operated faithfully and heartily. The death of our Senior Warden, Colonel Wm. G. Wear, on Easter Monday, at the great age of 82, was a source of grief to the Parish and its Rector. He led the first class which the Rector presented for confirmation to Bishop Pierce nearly eight years ago, and was distinguished for his wise counsels, his simple piety, and loyalty to the Church when these qualifications were especially in demand.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, Washington County.

Rev. Jas. J. Vaulx, Rector; residence, Fayetteville; R. V. McCracken and ——— Weston, Wardens; G. W. Blanchard, Clerk; J. H. McIlroy, Treasurer.

Baptisms—Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10; confirmations, 2; marriages, 5; burials, 8. Communicants—Present number, 199. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 70; total, 76. Public Services—On Sunday, 168; on other days, 834; Holy Communion, 122. Sittings in the Church—Free, 250.

Services are supported by endowment, and by weekly envelope system.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$172.86; Rector's salary, current expenses, and other purposes in Parish, \$1,079.41. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$30. Missions—General, \$13.85; Jews, \$3. Total for all objects, \$1,299.12.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,500; value of Church building, \$5,000; value of Rectory, \$1,500; endowments or invested funds amount to \$600. Total value of all Parish property, \$9,600.

The baptisms include those at St. Stephen's Chapel, Winslow. Communicants include all as far as known in Washington, Madison, and Benton Counties.

Good Shepherd Church, Forrest City, St. Francis County.

John Gatling and C. L. Knight, Wardens; H. A. Knight, Clerk; Ellis Turley, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 67; number of families, 17. Communicants—Died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 30. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 26; total, 32.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Communion alms, \$8.65; Easter offerings, \$7.10. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$5. Total for all objects, \$20.75.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$600; value of Church building, \$2,000; other Parish property, \$200. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,800.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, Sebastian County.

E. F. Furner, Lay Reader; J. H. Hamilton and W. A. Falconer, Wardens; W. B. Smith, Clerk; W. W. Bailey, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 285; number of families, 96. Baptisms—Infants, 10; adults, 10; total, 20; confirmations, 7; marriages, 4; burials, 10. Sunday School—Teachers, 11; pupils, 100; total, 111. Public Services—On Sunday, 80; on other days, 36; Holy Communion, 35. Sitzings in the Church—Free, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$208; current expenses, \$650. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$50; Diocesan Missions, \$35. Total for all objects, \$943.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$5,000; value of Church building, \$11,500; value of Rectory, \$1,200; other Parish property, \$1,500. Total value of all Parish property, \$19,200. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,350.

We have completed the exterior of the new Church, but have the interior to complete before we can occupy. We have been without a minister since last January, but expect to call one in the near future.

St. John's Church, Helena, Phillips County.

Rev. Charles Harry Lockwood, D. D., Rector; residence, Rectory St. John's Church, Helena, Ark.; Judge P. O. Thweatt and Hon. Greenfield Quarles, Wardens; Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 388; number of families, 111. Baptisms—Infants, 11; adults, 4; total, 15; confirmations, 15; marriages, 3; burials, 11; number of confirmed persons, 256. Communicants—Admitted, 15; received, 1; died, 7; removed and dropped, 12; present number, 226. Sunday School—Teachers, 17; pupils, 135; total,

152. Public Services—On Sunday, 93; on other days, 110; Holy Communion, 56. Sittings in the Church—Free, 500.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$14.60; current expenses, \$2,155.65; Ladies' Aid Society, \$626.54; Young Ladies' Guild, \$161.75; organ and memorial window, \$2,400; mission, \$146.05; Memorial Home, \$22.85. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$50; Diocesan Missions, \$72.90; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$18.68; Bishop Brown, \$26.11; Bishop Pierce, \$11.75. Missions—Domestic, \$15; University of the South, \$10; Woman's Auxillary to Missions, \$65. Total for all objects, \$5,796.88.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,500; value of Church building, \$30,000; value of Rectory, \$3,500; other Parish property, \$2,500. Total value of all Parish property, \$38,500.

In addition to my own Parochial work, I have, during the past year, endeavored to minister to St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, and occasionally at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, and at a few other places in the Convocation of Helena.

The congregation occupied the new St. John's Church, Helena, for the first time on the Feast of the Circumcision, January 1, 1899. The first service in the Church was the baptism of Greenfield Quarles, Jr., the grandson of the Hon. Greenfield Quarles, for many years the Junior Warden of the Parish.

On Septuagesima Sunday, January 29, 1899, the Church was consecrated to the glory of God by the Rt. Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., LL. D., assisted by the Rt. Rev. Thomas Underwood Dudley, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L., Bishop of Kentucky, and the Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas. Judge P. O. Thweatt, Senior Warden, read the instrument of donation. Bishop Brown the sentence of consecration. The Bishop of Kentucky preached the sermon. Clergy present: The Rev. Charles Harry Lockwood, Rector of the Parish; the Rev. A. W. Pierce, the Rev. C. B. K. Weed, Minister in charge of St. Paul's Church, Batesville.

St. Mark's Church, Hope, Hempstead County.

S. A. Knightorn, Lay Reader; J. L. West and Geo. R. Ruffin, Wardens; M. H. Barlow, Clerk.

Number of registered Parishioners, 35; number of families, 15. Baptisms—Infants, 1; confirmations, 4; marriages, 1. Communicants—Present number, 35. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 34; total, 40. Sittings in the Church—Free, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Current expenses, \$55.94. Diocesan—Diocesan assess-

ment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$30. Missions—Foreign, \$20. Total for all objects, \$115.94.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Church building, \$800. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, Craighead County.

Number of registered Parishioners, 20; number of families, 4. Confirmations, 3; number of confirmed persons, 13. Communicants—Present number, 13.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

St. Mark's Mission will probably have no representative at the Diocesan Council. The Mission at present has no officers. A well located corner lot has recently been bought and paid for. It is probably worth \$300. The title is in Bishop Brown. A Church building is about half completed. It is a brick veneer building, and will seat 150 to 200. The contract price is \$787, and the money to pay for it is all subscribed and mostly paid in. With the exception of \$200 promised by Bishop Brown, the money has been raised here. The Church when completed will have no debt. There are only seven or eight communicants here, and all of very moderate means. No arrangements have as yet been made for services. Jonesboro has about 5,000 people, and the writer believes that a Parish can ultimately be built up. There is room on the Church lot for a Rectory.

Christ Church, Little Rock, Pulaski County.

Rev. George Gordon Smeade, Rector; residence, Little Rock, Ark., No. 509 Scott street; Dr. Wm. A. Cantrell and Mr. Jno. W. Goodwin, Wardens; Frank M. Jefferson, Clerk; Gordon N. Peay, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 1,000; number of families, 325. Baptisms—Infants, 21; adults, 2; total, 23; confirmations, 12; marriages, 6; burials, 16; number of confirmed persons, 600. Communicants—Admitted, 12; received, 6; died, 3; removed, 10; present number, 489. Sunday School—Teachers, 33; pupils, 320; total, 353. Public Services—On Sunday, 70; on other days, 80; Holy Communion, 28. Sitzings in the Church—Free, rented, 650.

Services are supported by pew rents, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$126.14; current expenses, \$4,891; payment of debts, \$900; Ladies' Aid Society, \$211.15; Daughters of the King, \$302.26; St. Cecilia, \$209.95; Sunday School, \$172.32. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$100; Diocesan Missions,

\$100; offering at the Bishop's visitation, \$17.20. Missions—General, \$74.60; Foreign, \$43.72; Domestic, \$43.72. Total for all objects, \$7,642.31.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$13,000; value of Church building, \$50,000; value of Rectory, \$5,000; other Parish property, \$1,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$69,000.

The Church is in a better condition financially than it has been for many years. The revenue from the different channels has been more than sufficient to meet all the current expenses of the Parish. The Easter offering amounted to (including money and pledges) nearly \$3,500, which goes to the liquidation of the debt upon the Parish. This will reduce the indebtedness to \$2,300.

Under the splendid leadership of Mr. Robt. Walte the Sunday School has more than doubled in the last six months, and promises to be the most flourishing Sunday School in the city.

St. Paul's Chapel has been completed at a cost of \$1,100. The faithful and earnest work of Messrs. Bracy and Wassell at the different missions cannot be too highly commended. We hope to have an assistant Rector next fall to devote his whole time to the three Missions connected with the Parish.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Pulaski County.

Rev. Douglas I. Hobbs, Rector; residence, 1613 Spring street, Little Rock, Ark.; Major P. K. Roots, Lay Reader; Major P. K. Roots and A. F. Adams, Wardens; C. H. Kennedy, Clerk; Thomas Yeakle, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 300; number of families, 60. Baptisms—Infants, 6; adults, 4; total, 10; confirmations, 9; marriages, 4; burials, 10; number of confirmed persons, 143. Communicants—Admitted, 14; died, 3; removed, 2; present number, 116. Sunday School—Teachers, 9; pupils, 71; total, 80. Public Services—On Sunday, 154; on other days, 112; Holy Communion, 78. Sitzings in the Church—Free, 500.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$24; current expenses, \$2,500; rebuilding heater, \$96. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$25; Episcopal Fund, \$20; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$9.41; for Church at Dardanelle, \$3.43. Total for all objects, \$2,707.84.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$6,000; value of Church building, \$10,000; value of Rectory, \$2,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$18,000.

During the past year the work at Searcy has been under my care. It has been organized into a Diocesan Mission. Four adults have

been baptized and eight persons confirmed. Efforts are being made to erect a Church building. The Mission owns a lot and about \$1,200 have been pledged for the new Church edifice. This is a very promising field. If it could be united with Beebe and Judsonia, and a Missionary stationed at Searcy, it would no doubt soon become self-supporting. Until this can be done arrangements might be made with the Rector at Newport by which regular services could be held at Searcy.

St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, Pulaski County.

Rev. Isalah P. Daniels, Rector; residence, 1111 West Fourteenth street, Little Rock, Ark.; A. W. Cole and John A. Buchanan, Wardens; Geo. G. Glass, Clerk; A. W. Cole, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 75; number of families, 21. Baptism—Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2; confirmations, 6; marriages, 2; burials, 2; number of confirmed persons, 50. Communicants—Present number, 50. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 64; total, 70. Public Services—On Sunday, 128; on other days, 151; Holy Communion, 18. Sittings in the Church—Free, 250.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$6.03; current expenses, \$28.07; repairing organ, \$9; insurance on Church and Rectory, \$8.30; Church window, part payment, \$19. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$3; Diocesan Missions, 50 cents; Episcopal Fund, \$2; Aged and Infirm Clergy, 50 cents. Missions—General, \$2. Total for all objects, \$78.40.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,500; value of Church building, \$1,000; value of Rectory, \$500. Total value of all Parish property, \$3,000.

Nothing would do more towards building up the Sunday School and congregation than a *good day school*. The negro needs to be taught the historical and doctrinal side of the Church, and the Sunday School and Church by themselves are not enough to do this work by the time the children are ready for confirmation; and hence the young people are drawn off among the sectarians.

"Bring the child up in the way you would have him go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

St. Andrew's Church, Mammoth Spring, Fulton County.

P. B. B. Hynson, Warden.

Number of families, 6. Baptisms—Adults, 2; confirmations, 3. Communicants—Present number, 17. Public Services—On Sunday, 8. Sittings in the Church—Free, 100.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$15; rent of Rectory, \$35. Total for all objects, \$50.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$1,000; value of Rectory, \$500. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$100.

St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, Lee County.

D. S. Clark, Lay Reader; James P. Dunham and Dudley S. Clark, Wardens; John M. Daggett, Clerk; Wm. G. Barnes, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 82; number of families, 22. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3; confirmations, 5; marriages, 1; burials, 3; number of confirmed persons, 54. Communicants—Admitted, 6; received, 1; died, 2; removed, 1; present number, 51. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 45; total, 50. Public Services—On Sunday, 70; on other days, 20; Holy Communion, 10. Sittings in the Church—Free, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$131.45; payment of debts, \$200. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$12.85; Bishop's building fund, \$15.85; Bishop's stipend, \$51. Missions—Domestic, \$13. Total for all objects, \$429.15.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$2,500; value of Rectory, \$1,600. Total value of all Parish property, \$4,600. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$780.

The Parish has been vacant the whole year. Bishop Pierce has visited and held services once and Bishop Brown twice. Dean Lockwood has given frequent services and Clergy from Arkansas, Tennessee, and Mississippi have ministered to the Parish by special invitation. Morning Prayer is said at opening of the Sunday School. The Ladies' Guild has paid nearly \$200 on the Rectory debt this year. The Parish has some good subscriptions and accounts which, when collected, will materially reduce the debt.

St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton, Conway County.

Rev. Ivan Morgan Merlino Jones, Missionary and Priest in Charge; residence, 207 Morrill street, Morrilton, Ark.; William Miller Scarborough and Wickliffe Edwin DeLong, Wardens; William Henry Ashley, Clerk; William Miller Scarborough, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 44. Baptisms—Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6; confirmations, 1; burials, 2. Communicants—Present number, 28. Sunday School—Teachers, 7. Public Services—On Sunday, 34; on other days, 24; Holy Communion, 10. Sittings in the Church—Free, 100.

Services are supported by subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$398.81. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$12. Missions—Jews, \$1.80. Total for all objects, \$412.61.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$1,950; value of Rectory, \$490; Parish library (25 volumes), \$20. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,960.

This report really includes only the months of January, February, and March, 1899, as there was no regular service until then. Since Easter sixteen persons, nine of whom were communicants, left Morrilton for other places in Arkansas, and some have gone to other States, so the actual number now (May 3) of communicants is not twenty.

Church of the Redeemer, Nashville, Howard County.

Rev. A. W. Pierce, Rector; residence, 1700 Center street, Little Rock, Ark.; F. W. Lee, Lay Reader; F. W. Lee and Wm. Rodgers, Wardens; F. W. Lee, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 18; number of families, 6. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2; confirmations, 4; burials, 2; number of confirmed persons, 10. Communicants—Admitted, 4; died, 2; removed, 1; present number, 10. Sunday School—Teachers, 1; pupils, 6; total, 7. Public Services—On Sunday, 4; on other days, 16; Holy Communion, 10. Sitzings in the Church—Free, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$24.75. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$3; Church building fund, \$5.20. Total for all objects, \$32.95.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of Church building, \$900. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

Town is gradually building up. At Center Point, 9 miles distant, there is now only one confirmed person, the others having removed to Mena.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, Jackson County.

Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rector; residence, 400 Walnut street, Newport, Ark.; L. Minor, Lay Reader; Lancelot Minor and Gustave Jones, Wardens; John T. Flynn, Clerk; Thaddeus D. Kinman, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 110; number of families, 35. Baptisms—Adults, 2; confirmations, 3; number of confirmed persons, 85. Communicants—Present number, 45. Sunday School—Teachers,

6; pupils, 40; total, 46. Public Services—On Sunday, 20; on other days, 50; Holy Communion, every Sunday and Holy Day. Sittings in the Church—Free, 200.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$3.82; current expenses, \$73.86; payment of debts, \$20.87; Rector's salary (two months), \$133.34; Church improvement fund, \$57.50. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$12; Diocesan Missions, \$6.31; Bishop-Coadjutor's salary, \$16; Church building fund, \$12.35. Missions—General, children's Lenten offering, \$10.85; Domestic, \$29.07; Woman's Auxillary, \$3.10. Total for all objects, \$379.07.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$600; value of Church building, \$1,000; value of Rectory, \$400. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,000.

St. Paul's Church is now making a united and determined effort to support a Rector, and the Parish proposes to build a Rectory in the near future. The services have been well attended since the present Rector took charge. The Lenten season was observed with a devout spirit, and Easter celebrated by large congregations, and two beautiful memorial gifts, a brass altar cross given by Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus D. Kinman, in memory of their parents, and an oak altar rail given by Mrs. Lancelot and Mrs. Narcissus Minor in memory of Charles Minor and Lenter Minor. An oak Bishop's chair was placed in the chancel, and the altar itself greatly beautified and improved by gifts from Mr. Thos. Cardwell and Mrs. John Herron.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, Jefferson County.

Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, Rector; residence, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Day Mills, Lay Reader; Day Mills and Robt. E. Lee, Wardens; Frank B. Tomlinson, Clerk; J. Bertan Trulock, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 291; number of families, 99. Baptisms—Infants, 2; confirmations, 11; marriages, 1; burials, 7; number of confirmed persons, 291. Communicants—Admitted, 225; received, 6; died, 3; removed, 4; present number, 291. Sunday School—Teachers, 10; pupils, 100; total, 110. Public Services—On Sunday, 50; on other days, 60; Holy Communion, 16. Sittings in the Church—Free, 400.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$35; current expenses, \$850.06. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$43; Episcopal Fund (handed Bishop-Coadjutor), \$28; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$2.90; Young Ladies' Guild, \$113; Trinity Aid, \$51.50 (amounts raised for Parish purposes). Missions—General, \$10;

Foreign, \$4; Domestic, \$20; handed Bishop Pierce for Church fund at Dardanelle, \$16. Total for all objects, \$1,203.46.

Value of Church building, \$17,500; value of Rectory, \$2,500; other Parish property, \$750. Total value of all Parish property, \$20,750.

This report dates from the 1st of December, 1898, to the 1st of May; also the Treasurer's report. I took charge of Trinity Parish on the 1st of December, and therefore submit my report from that date.

The Parish is in a very healthy condition. Prospects bright. Results of work very encouraging. The Daughters of the King are thirty in number. They have done a beautiful and telling work. The Woman's Auxillary is now thoroughly organized, and I believe they will do a good work for the Church at large. The financial outlook is very bright, as we have quite a sum in the exchequer, and the Parish is out of debt.

St. Mary's Church, Rocky Comfort, Little River County.

Rev. A. W. Pierce, Missionary; residence, 1700 Center street, Little Rock, Ark.; Mrs. Carl Schuman, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 43; number of families, 19. Baptisms—Infants, 1; number of confirmed persons, 36. Communicants—Received, 1; present number, 27. Public Services—On Sunday, 6; Holy Communion, 3. No Church building.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$31.65.

I held regular monthly services for three years, to July, 1898, inclusive; also made a special visit in November, 1898. The moving of the town to the new railroad has thrown the work into confusion, and there is at present no subscription for maintaining services. The growth has been very encouraging indeed, but at least a third of the membership have become scattered about in the surrounding country and towns, too far away to reach the services.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, Crawford County.

Sidney A. Pernot and Henry C. Fabor, Wardens; Geo. Miller, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 176; number of families, 33. Number of confirmed persons, 114. Communicants—Present number, 114. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 64; total, 70. Sittings in the Church—Free, 250.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$127.32; payment of debts, \$126.90; Sunday School, \$24.10; Rector's salary, \$450. Mis-

sions—Foreign and Domestic (by Sunday School), \$10.63. Total for all objects, \$738.95.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,275; value of Church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$600. Total value of all Parish property, \$3,875. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$50.

Grace Church, Washington, Hempstead County.

Rev. A. W. Pierce, Rector; residence, 1700 Center street, Little Rock, Ark.; Wm. Eakin, Lay Reader; Wm. Eakin and Charles Ratcliffe; Wardens; Carl Von Jagersfeld, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 24; number of families, 8. Baptisms—Infants, 1; confirmations, 3; number of confirmed persons, 20. Communicants—Admitted, 3; removed, 1; present number, 18. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 6; total, 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 20; Holy Communion, 10. Sitzings in the Church—Free, 160.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$85. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$5. Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$8. Missions—General, \$7. Total for all objects, \$105.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of Church building, \$800; value of Rectory, \$100. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

The town is slowly dying out.

APPENDIX X.
 TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

	Lay Readers.	Number of Registered Parishioners.	Number of Families.	Baptisms—Infants.	Baptisms—Adults.	Baptisms—Total.	Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Number of Communicants.	Communicants Admitted.	Communicants Received.	Communicants Died.	Communicants Removed.	Communicants—Present Number.	Sunday School Teachers.	Sunday School Pupils.	Total.	Public Services on Sunday.	Public Services on Other Days.	Holy Communion.	Stings in Church—Number.	Free, Assigned, Rented,*	Services Supported by:†
Ratesville	1	94	65	1	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Brinkley	1	27	20	1	1	1	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Camden	1	15	17	1	1	1	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Eureka Springs	1	14	17	1	1	1	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fayetteville	1	36	17	1	1	1	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Forrest City	1	87	17	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fort Smith	1	88	11	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Helena	1	35	11	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hope	1	35	11	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hot Springs	1	35	11	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Imboden	1	35	11	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jonesboro	1	35	11	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lake Village	1	35	11	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Little Rock, Christ Church	1	1,000	32	1	1	1	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Little Rock, Trinity Cathedral	1	300	21	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Little Rock, St. Philip's	1	75	21	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mammoth Spring	1	82	22	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Marianna	1	44	22	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Morrilton	1	110	35	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nashville	1	110	35	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Newport	1	201	69	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pine Bluff	1	43	19	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Rocky Comfort	1	146	36	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Van Buren	1	24	11	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Washington	1	24	11	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wynne	1	24	11	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	13	3,069	1,071	79	33	112	98	27	81	2,572	19	18	29	43	2,271	146	1,230	1,376	1,179	1,555	447	5,350		

* (a) Free, (b) Assigned, (c) Rented. † (d) Endowment, (e) Few Rents, (f) Annual Subscription, (g) Weekly Envelope System, (h) Voluntary Contribution.

APPENDIX X.

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS—Continued.

	Parochial— Communion Alms.	Parochial— Current Expenses.	Parochial— Payment of Debts.	Other Parochial Expenses.	Dioecesan—Dioecesan Assessment.	Dioecesan— Missions.	Dioecesan— Episcopate Fund.	Dioecesan—Ark. Church Building Fund.	Other Objects within the Dioecese.	Missions—General.	Missions—Foreign.	Missions—Domestic.	Missions—Jews.	Theological Depart- ment—University of the South.	Other Objects with- out the Dioecese.	Total for all Objects.
Batesville	3 60	159 40	145 00	361 53	55 00	65 00	2 80	95 50	15 00	14 30	43 72	5 00	5 00	5 00	712 85	1,100 28
Brinkley	45 30	447 50	467 00	467 00	10 00	42 00	50 00	16 28	1 09	14 30	43 72	5 00	3 00	3 10	176 50	922 87
Carrollton	33 86	175 00	48 00	48 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	16 28	1 09	14 30	43 72	5 00	3 00	3 10	1,100 28	922 87
Eureka Springs	172 86	1,079 41	7 10	48 00	30 00	5 00	5 00	16 28	1 09	14 30	43 72	5 00	3 00	3 10	922 87	1,299 12
Forrest City	8 65	650 00	3,357 19	3,357 19	50 00	35 00	18 08	37 86	15 00	13 85	43 72	15 00	3 00	3 10	922 87	1,299 12
Fort Smith	208 00	2,155 65	55 94	55 94	10 00	30 00	18 08	37 86	15 00	13 85	43 72	15 00	3 00	3 10	922 87	90 75
Helena	14 60	55 94	55 94	55 94	10 00	30 00	18 08	37 86	15 00	13 85	43 72	15 00	3 00	3 10	922 87	943 00
Hope																5,796 88
Hot Springs																115 94
Imboden																
Jonesboro																
Lake Village																
Little Rock, Christ Ch.	126 14	4,891 00	900 00	856 08	100 00	100 00	17 20	17 20	74 60	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	7,642 31
Little Rock, Tr'y Cath.	24 00	2,500 00	96 00	96 00	30 00	95 00	9 41	3 43	2 00	2 00	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	9,707 84
Little Rock, St. Philip's.	6 03	28 07	36 30	36 30	3 00	50 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	76 40
Mammoth Spring	15 00	35 00	200 00	200 00	5 00	12 85	51 00	15 85	13 00	13 00	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	50 00
Marianna		131 45				12 85	51 00	15 85	13 00	13 00	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	499 15
Morrilton		308 81				12 85	51 00	15 85	13 00	13 00	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	412 61
Nashville		24 75				12 85	51 00	15 85	13 00	13 00	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	38 95
Newport	3 82	73 86	90 87	190 84	3 00	6 31	16 00	5 90	10 85	10 85	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	43 72	379 07
Pine Bluff	35 00	850 06	164 50	164 50	30 00	43 00	88 00	12 35	10 00	10 00	4 00	29 07	29 07	3 10	1,203 46	1,203 46
Rocky Comfort	31 65	31 65	126 90	164 50	31 65	43 00	88 00	12 35	10 00	10 00	4 00	29 07	29 07	3 10	31 65	31 65
Van Buren	127 32	85 00	126 90	474 10	5 00	5 00	8 00	10 63	10 63	10 63	4 00	29 07	29 07	3 10	738 95	738 95
Washington																105 00
Wynne.																
	\$566 27	\$14,005 74	\$1,392 77	\$6,091 14	\$403 00	\$382 21	\$188 30	\$140 67	\$16 60	\$156 13	\$67 72	\$112 79	\$4 80	\$10 00	\$518 35	\$24,241 58

APPENDIX X.
TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS—Concluded.

	Parish Property—Value of all Parish Lands Exclusive of Buildings.	Value of Church Buildings.	Value of Rectory.	Other Parish Property.	Endowment or Invested Funds Amount to.	Total Value of all Parish Property.	Total Indebtedness of the Parish.
Batesville	\$ 700	\$ 2,000	\$ 200	\$	\$	\$ 2,900	\$ 55
Brinkley	250	750	.....	1 0	.....	1,120	.....
Camden	1,000	2,600	800	120	.....	4,600	.....
Eureka Springs	800	150	.....	.....	.....	950	.....
Fayetteville	2,500	5,000	1,500	.....	600	9,600	.....
Forrest City	600	2,000	.....	200	.....	2,800	.....
Fort Smith	5,000	11,500	1,200	1,500	.....	19,200	1,350
Helena	2,500	30,000	3,500	2,500	.....	38,000	.....
Hope	200	800	.....	.....	.....	1,000	.....
Hot Springs	5,000	15,000	.....	.....	.....	20,000	4,000
Imboden .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jonesboro	300	.....	.....	500	.....	800	.....
Lake Village .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Rock, Christ Church	13,000	50,000	5,000	1,000	.....	69,000	2,300
Little Rock, Trinity Cathedral	6,000	10,000	2,000	.....	.....	18,000	.....
Little Rock, St. Philip's	1,500	1,000	500	.....	.....	3,000	.....
Mammoth Spring	500	1,000	500	.....	.....	2,500	160
Marianna	500	2,500	1,600	.....	.....	4,600	780
Morrilton	500	1,050	490	20	.....	2,060	.....
Nashville	100	900	.....	.....	.....	1,000	.....
Newport	600	1,000	400	.....	.....	2,000	.....
Pine Bluff .....	.....	17,500	2,500	750	.....	20,750	.....
Rocky Comfort .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Van Buren	1,275	2,000	600	.....	.....	3,875	50
Washington	100	800	100			1,000	
Wynne							
	\$42,925	\$ 158,450	\$20,890	\$ 6,790	\$ 600	\$ 229,655	\$8,695

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Notice.

The form of Parochial Reports will be mailed to Rectors and Wardens under provisions of the Canon.

It is specially requested that they be carefully compiled and sent in promptly, two days before the meeting of the Council, so that they may be tabulated for the Committee on State of the Church on the first day of the Council.

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary.

**The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of
The Protestant Episcopal Church in the
United States of America.**

The Society asks for stated offerings as follows, and on the dates given when possible :

DOMESTIC MISSIONS, the first Sunday in Advent.

FOREIGN MISSIONS, the second Sunday after the Epiphany.

MISSIONS TO COLORED PEOPLE, the third Sunday after the Epiphany.

MISSIONS TO INDIANS, the fourth Sunday after Easter.

The Treasurer is MR. GEORGE C. THOMAS, to whom all remittances should be sent, at his office,

Church Missions House, New York City.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas will be held (D. V.) in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, on the first Wednesday in May, 1900.

JOHN M. DAGGETT, Secretary.

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Special Offerings.

**Recommended by the Council and the Dates
on which they shall be made.**

DIOCESAN MISSIONS, on the first Sunday in Lent, and on
Trinity Sunday.

EPISCOPATE FUND, on Septuagesima Sunday, or on Easter
Day.

**AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY, and WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE**, on National
Thanksgiving Day.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, on
the first Sunday in Advent.

DARDANELLE CHURCH PROPERTY, an annual collection
until debt is extinguished.



**THE LATE RT. REV. HENRY NILES PIERCE, D. D., L. L. D.,
BISHOP OF ARKANSAS.**

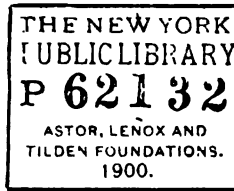
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Twenty-Eighth Annual Council
OF THE
DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS,

HELD IN
TRINITY CATHEDRAL, LITTLE ROCK,
May 2 and 3, A. D. 1900.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED
Parochial and Diocesan Reports, Appendixes, Standing
Resolutions, Etcetera.

TOGETHER WITH
A Biographical Sketch of Right Rev. Henry Niles Pierce,
D. D., LL. D., Fourth Bishop of Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.:
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DIOCESAN OFFICERS.

Bishop.

THE RIGHT REV. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY BROWN, D. D.,
1609 Arch Street, Little Rock.

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ARCHDEACON OF EASTERN ARKANSAS,
2019 Center Street, Little Rock.

THE VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS, M. A., D. D.,
ARCHDEACON OF WESTERN ARKANSAS,
Little Rock.

Standing Committee.

The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D., *President, Helena.*

The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE, B. D., *Secretary.*
Christ Church Rectory, Little Rock.

The Rev. W. D. BUCKNER, B. D. Mr. P. K. ROOTS. Mr. JOS. A. REEVES.

Secretary.

MR. JOHN M. DAGGETT, *Marianna.*

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MR. P. K. ROOTS, *1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.*

Trustee of the Episcopate Fund.

MR. S. S. FAULKNER, *First National Bank, Helena.*

Registrar.

MR. FAY HEMPSTEAD, *Masonic Temple, Little Rock.*

Chancellor.

MR. WILLIAM G. WHIPPLE, *415 Scott Street, Little Rock.*
(Term expires 1903.)

Committee on Judiciary.

The CHANCELLOR, *Ex Officio President.*

MR. JOHN GATLING.

MR. GUSTAVE JONES.

Board of Managers—Diocesan Missions.

THE BISHOP, *Ex Officio President.*

The Archdeacons, Ex Officio Members.

The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D. The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE, B. D.

The Rev. WALTER D. BUCKNER, B. D.

Mr. NICHOLS B. TRULOCK, *Secretary.*

Mr. H. C. RATHER, The Citizens Bank, Little Rock, *Treasurer.*

Mr. JOHN GATLING.

Examining Chaplains.

The Rev. PERCY J. ROBOTOM, *Chairman.*

The Ven. R. W. RHAMES, B. D. The Ven. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.

Preacher of Council Sermon.

THE REV. PERCY J. ROBOTOM, M. A.

Alternate.

THE VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.

Diocesan Architect.

MR. JOHN SUTCLIFFE, 218 La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.

DIOCESAN REPRESENTATION

IN THE GENERAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE CHURCH.

Deputies to the General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.	Mr. JOSEPH A. REEVES.
The Rev. JAMES J. VAULX, B. D.	Mr. P. K. ROOTS.
The Rev. D. B. RAMSEY, B. D.	Mr. SAMUEL S. FAULKNER.
The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE.	Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT.

Substitutes for Deputies to the General Convention.

In the order of their election.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. CALEB B. K. WEED, M. A.	Mr. R. V. MCCracken.
The Rev. RICHARD S. JAMES, D. D., LL. D.	Mr. G. G. LATTI.
The Rev. WALTER D. BUCKNER, B. D.	Mr. N. B. TRULOCK.
The Ven. R. W. RHAMES, B. D.	Mr. ED F. FURNER.

Delegates to the Missionary Council.

Appointed at General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.	Mr. P. K. ROOTS.
The Ven. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.*	Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT.
Elected by the Council 1899.	
The Ven. R. W. RHAMES, B. D.	Mr. JOSEPH A. REEVES.

*Appointed by the Bishop to fill vacancy caused by removal of Rev. W. T. Allen from the Diocese.

Trustees of the University of the South.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.

(Term expires 1901.)

Mr. CHARLES K. LINCOLN (1901).

Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT (1903).

Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. JAMES J. VAULX, B. D.

(Term expires 1901.)

CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE.

Bishop.

The Right Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Little Rock.	1898.
The Rev. James J. Vaulx, B. D., Fayetteville.....	1876.
The Rev. Richard S. James, D. D., LL. D., Eureka Springs.....	1888.
The Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood, B. D., Helena.....	1889.
The Rev. Daniel B. Ramsey, B. D., Camden.....	1892.
The Rev. A. Wallace Pierce, Little Rock.....	1894.
The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Little Rock.....	1896.
The Rev. W. D. Buckner, Pine Bluff.....	1898.
The Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Hot Springs.....	1899.
The Ven. R. W. Rhames, B. A., B. D., Little Rock.....	1899.
The Rev. J. B. Whaling, Van Buren.....	1899.
The Rev. Edward L. Kemp, Marianna.....	1899.
The Rev. Martin Damer, Hope.....	1899.
The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., Little Rock.....	1899.
The Rev. Percy J. Robottom, M. A., Newport.....	1900.
The Rev. A. A. Robertson, M. A., Fort Smith.....	1900.
The Rev. L. S. Shermer, A. B., Batesville.....	1900.

Nonparochial Clergy.

The Rev. David L. Trimble, Pine Bluff.....	1883.
The Rev. G. W. Flowers.....	1893.
The Rev. Isaiah P. Daniels, Little Rock.....	1894.
The Rev. W. G. Coote, Mena.....	1898.

PARISH PROPERTY IN THE DIOCESE.

Batesville—St. Paul's—Church, Rectory.
Booneville—Lot.
Brinkley—St. Luke's—Chapel.
Camden—St. John's—Church, Rectory.
Dardanelle—St. Paul's—Chapel, Rectory.
El Dorado—Lot.
Eureka Springs—St. James's—Church.
Fayetteville—St. Paul's—Church, Rectory.
Foreman—Lot.
Forrest City—Good Shepherd—Church, Rectory.
Fort Smith—St. John's—Church, Rectory.
Helena—St. John's—Church, Rectory.
Hope—St. Mark's—Church.
Hot Springs—St. Luke's—Church.
Imboden—Lot.
Jonesboro—St. Mark's—Church.
Lake Village—Lot.
Little Rock—Trinity—Cathedral, Rectory
 Christ—Church, Rectory.
 St. Philip's—Church, Rectory.
 St. Paul's—Chapel.
Magazine—Lot.
Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's—Church, Rectory.
Marianna—St. Andrew's—Church, Rectory.
Mena—Christ—Chapel.
Morrilton—St. Agnes's—Church, Rectory.
Mount Magazine—Lot.
Nashville—Redeemer—Church.
Newport—St. Paul's—Church, Rectory.
Paragould—Lot.
Pine Bluff—Trinity—Church, Rectory.
Prescott—St. James's—Chapel.
Rocky Comfort—Lot.
Searcy—Trinity—Chapel.
Van Buren—Trinity—Church, Rectory.
Washington—Grace—Church, Rectory.

LIST OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS, WITH THE RECTORS, PAROCHIAL OFFICERS AND LAY DELEGATES.

(Those in *italic* were not present at Council.)

BATESVILLE.

St. Paul's Missionary Parish—Rev. L. S. Shermer, M. A., Rector;
Messrs. J. C. Fitzhugh and W. B. Lawrence, Wardens; Wm. Ramsey,
Clerk; J. E. Rosebrough, Treasurer.

Delegates.

J. C. Fitzhugh.
H. S. Coleman.
W. D. Laurence, M. D.

Alternates.

H. L. Miniken.
Geo. W. Bell.
John G. Werner.

BRINKLEY.

St. Luke's Mission—Rev. Edward L. Kemp, Marianna, in charge;
Edward T. Owen and Fred E. Sapp, Wardens; John H. Davis, Clerk;
T. H. Jackson, Treasurer.

Delegate.

T. Harry Jackson.

CAMDEN.

St. John's Parish—Rev. D. B. Ramsey, B. D., Rector; Joseph A.
Reeves and P. Lynch Lee, Wardens; Hamilton G. Smith, Clerk and
Treasurer.

Delegates.

Joseph A. Reeves.
James R. Young.
Samuel O. Sevier.

Alternates.

P. Lynch Lee.
Hamilton G. Smith.
Reece Lockett.

EUREKA SPRINGS.

St. James's Parish—Rev. R. S. James, D. D., LL. D., Rector;
James F. Sechler and Chas. D. James, Wardens; Frederick Pell, Clerk;
Chas. D. James, Treasurer.

Delegates.

James F. Sechler.
Frederick Pell.
Chas. D. James.

Alternates.

Geo. S. Brown.
Henry Higgins.
Jas. K. Richardson.

FAYETTEVILLE.

St. Paul's Parish—Rev. James J. Vault, B. D., Rector; R. V.
McCracken and L. W. Weston, Wardens; Geo. F. Blanchard, Clerk;
J. H. McIlroy, Treasurer.

Delegates.

W. B. Welch, M. D.
J. W. Furgerson.
R. V. McCracken.

FORREST CITY.

Church of Good Shepherd, Missionary Parish—Rev. Edward L. Kemp, Marianna, Rector; John Gatling and C. L. Knight, Wardens; Ellis Turley, Treasurer; H. A. Knight, Secretary.

Delegates.
John Gatling.
Walter Gorman.

Alternates.
Ellis Turley.
N. E. Ingram.

FORT SMITH.

St. John's Parish—Rev. A. A. Robertson; J. H. Hamilton and W. A. Falconer, Wardens; W. B. Smith, Clerk; W. W. Bailey, Treasurer.

Delegates.
E. F. Furner.
R. B. Rutherford, Jr.
M. K. Ferguson.

HELENA.

St. John's Parish—Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D., Rector; P. O. Thweatt and Greenfield Quarles, Wardens; S. S. Faulkner, Clerk and Treasurer.

Delegates.
P. O. Thweatt.
S. S. Faulkner.
N. F. Bruce.

HOPE.

St. Mark's Missionary Parish—Rev. Martin Damer, Missionary in charge; J. B. West and Samuel A. Knighton, Wardens; M. H. Barlow, Clerk and Treasurer.

Delegates.
M. H. Barlow.
Geo. R. Ruffin.
Judson P. West.

HOT SPRINGS.

St. Luke's Parish—Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, B. D., Rector; Morris C. Tombler and Fred N. Rix, Wardens; Harry R. Vaughan, Clerk; Chas. G. Convers, Treasurer.

Delegates.
Morris C. Tombler.
J. P. Mellard.
Geo. G. Latta.

Alternates.
Fred W. Gregory.
E. M. Pennich.
Fred N. Rix.

JONESBORO.

St. Mark's Mission—Ven. R. W. Rhames, M. A., Little Rock, in charge.

LITTLE ROCK.

Trinity Cathedral Parish—Rev. A. W. Pierce, Rector; P. K. Roots and W. A. Cook, Wardens; G. P. Lane, Clerk; T. W. Yeakle, Treasurer.

Delegates.	Alternates.
P. K. Roots.	G. P. Lane.
<i>A. F. Adams.</i>	C. K. Lincoln.
<i>J. W. Beidelman.</i>	<i>A. Watson.</i>

Christ Church Parish—Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D., Rector; Dr. Wm. A. Cantrell and John W. Goodwin, Wardens; Frank M. Jefferson, Clerk; Gordon N. Peay, Treasurer.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Wm. G. Whipple.	<i>Gordon N. Peay.</i>
<i>Harry K. Cochran.</i>	<i>Frank M. Jefferson.</i>
H. C. Rather.	Walter Polk.

MAMMOTH SPRING.

St. Andrew's Missionary Parish—Rev. E. A. Neville, West Plains, Diocese Western Missouri, in charge; P. P. B. Hynson, S. W.

Delegate.
P. P. B. Hynson.

MARIANNA.

St. Andrew's Missionary Parish—Rev. Edward L. Kemp, Rector; D. S. Clark and Jos. F. Rankin, Wardens; J. M. Daggett, Clerk; F. N. Burke, Treasurer.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John M. Daggett.	<i>Jos. F. Rankin.</i>
<i>F. H. Goran.</i>	<i>Wm. G. Barnes.</i>
<i>Dudley S. Clark.</i>	<i>F. Noel Burke.</i>

MORRILTON.

St. Agnes's Missionary Parish—Rev. Ivan M. Merlinjones, D. D., Minister in charge; Dr. Wm. M. Scarborough and W. E. DeLong, Wardens; Wm. H. Ashley, Clerk; Dr. Scarborough, Treasurer.

NASHVILLE.

Church of the Redeemer, Missionary Parish—Rev. Martin Damer, Hope, Missionary in charge.

Delegate.
Wm. C. Rodgers.

NEWPORT.

St. Paul's Parish—Rev. P. J. Robottom, M. A., Rector; L. Minor and Gustave Jones, Wardens; Thomas J. Gregg, Clerk; O. D. Watson, Treasurer.

Delegates.
L. Minor.
Gustave Jones.
T. J. Gregg.

Alternates.
John F. Flynn.
H. A. Ridley.
T. D. Kinman.

PINE BLUFF.

Trinity Parish—Rev. Walter D. Buckner, B. D., Rector; Nichols B. Trulock and Robert E. Lee, Wardens; Frank B. Tomlinson, Clerk; James Burton Trulock, Treasurer.

Delegates.
Nichols B. Trulock.
Fred L. Dilley.
Robert E. Lee.

Alternates.
H. Riley.
George E. Valliant.
Frank M. Boone.

VAN BUREN.

Trinity Parish—Rev. J. B. Whaling, Rector; Sidney A. Pernot and John D. White, Wardens; George Miller, Clerk; Henry Taber, Treasurer.

Delegates.
S. A. Pernot.
J. D. White.

Alternates.
Henry Taber.
George Miller.

WASHINGTON.

Grace Church Parish—Rev. Martin Damer, Hope, Missionary in charge.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas convened at Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, on Wednesday, May 2, 1900, at 8:30 a. m.

Morning prayer was said by Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D., the Ven. Percy C. Webber, Archdeacon of Milwaukee, reading the lessons and making an address, the Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed saying the prayers and the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

After morning prayer the Council was called to order and the roll of clergy called.

The Bishop appointed as a Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates Revs. C. B. K. Weed and R. W. Rhames.

The Committee reported as follows:

(See list page 4.)

Mr. John M. Daggett was unanimously re-elected Secretary and the Council was declared duly organized.

The Bishop appointed the Standing Committees as follows:

Ways and Means.—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Mr. Geo. G. Latta.

Auditing and Finance.—Mr. R. E. Lee, Mr. Henry C. Rather, Mr. Arthur F. Adams.

Admission of New Parishes.—Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Mr. Jos. A. Reeves, Mr. E. F. Furner.

Constitution and Canons.—Rev. J. J. Vaulx, Rev. D. B. Ramsey, Chancellor Wm. G. Whipple, Mr. P. O. Thweatt, Mr. Geo. G. Latta, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. Gustave Jones.

State of the Church.—Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Archdeacon R. W. Rhames, Archdeacon W. D. Williams, D. D., Mr. P. K. Roots, Mr. N. B. Trulock.

Unfinished Business.—Mr. John M. Daggett, Mr. Gustave Jones, Mr. Jos. A. Reeves.

The hour having arrived for the service in memory of our late Diocesan, the Rt. Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., LL. D., the Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rev. A. Wallace Pierce, son of the late Bishop, Rev. R. S. James, D. D., reading the Gospel and Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D., the Epistle, Rev. J. J. Vaulx, B. D., preaching the memorial sermon, and the Bishop saying prayers and pronouncing the Absolution and Benediction.

The Council took a recess until 2 p. m.

AFTER RECESS.

The Bishop delivered his annual address, with exception of the part relating to missions.

(Appendix II.)

(Abstract of Journal Bishop Pierce, Appendix I.)

Suggestions in the Bishop's address were referred as follows:

1. Colored Work, to the Committee on State of the Church.

2. Funds for Theological Department University of the South, to a Special Committee.

The Bishop appointed Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, W. D. Buckner, P. J. Robottom.

3. The Committee on State of the Church was directed by vote to prepare and report a list of Parishes and Missions organized at the beginning of the Bishop's Episcopate.

4. For increase of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy to a Special Committee of three laymen and two priests.

The Bishop appointed Mr. N. B. Trulock, Mr. W. G. Whipple, Mr. L. Minor, Rev. Edward L. Kemp, and Rev. A. A. Robertson.

The action of the Bishop in appointing two general missionaries with the title of Archdeacon was unanimously ratified by vote of the Council, and the matter of amendments to the Canon in relation thereto was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

Mr. Gustave Jones introduced the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft a biographical sketch of the late Bishop Pierce to be printed in the Journal of the Council.

The Bishop appointed Rev. R. S. James, D. D., Rev. J. J. Vaulx, Rev. D. B. Ramsey and Rev. D. L. Trimble.

The Standing Committee submitted the following report:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE TO THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL COUNCIL.

May, 1899—The Standing Committee elected by the Twenty-seventh Annual Council met in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, and organized by electing Rev. Charles H. Lockwood president, and the Rev. G. Gordon Smeade Secretary.

July 19—At a meeting of the Standing Committee held in Little Rock, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Joseph Marshall Francis to be the Bishop of Indiana. At the same meeting consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Arthur L. Williams to be the Bishop-Coadjutor of Nebraska.

February 11, 1900—At a meeting of the Standing Committee held in Little Rock, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Robert Codman, Jr., to be the Bishop of the Diocese of Maine. At the same meeting consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Charles Palmerston Anderson to be the Bishop-Coadjutor of the Diocese of Chicago, and to the Rev. Sidney C. Partridge to be the Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto, Japan.

The following resolution was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons:

Resolved, That the Committee on Constitution and Canons be instructed to make provision for a report from the Diocesan Registrar at each Diocesan Council.

R. W. RHAMES.

PERCY J. ROBOTTOM.

The following invitation was read to the Council:

To the Bishop and Members of the Diocesan Council of Arkansas:

Reverend and Dear Brethren—You are most cordially invited to visit the Arkansas School for the Blind at such time as will best suit your convenience and pleasure.

Sincerely,

JOHN H. DYE.

The Secretary was directed to make suitable acknowledgment of the invitation.

The Trustees of the various funds and the Diocesan Treasurer submitted their reports, which were referred to the Auditing and Finance committees.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a missionary meeting be held at Christ Church to-night at 8 o'clock.

Council adjourned till 8:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

MISSIONARY MEETING, 8 P. M.

Rev. W. D. Buckner read the sentences and the second Psalm.

Rev. P. J. Robottom said the creed and prayers and Missionary Hymns were sung.

Mr. N. B. Trulock, secretary of the Board of Managers, Diocesan Missions, read his report.

(Appendix V.)

Rev. R. W. Rhames read his report of the work in Eastern Arkansas.

(Appendix III.)

Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., read his report of the work in Western Arkansas.

(Appendix IV.)

The Bishop concluded his annual address.

Ven. P. C. Webber closed with one of his inimitable five minute talks, the leading thought of which, growing out of the reports read, was "What Hath God Wrought?"

SECOND DAY.

May 3, 1900, 8:30 a. m.

Morning prayer was said by Rev. Edward L. Kemp, Rev. P. J. Robottom reading the lessons and Ven. Percy C. Webber making a short address.

At 9 a. m., the Council was called to order by the Bishop and the record of yesterday was read and approved.

In pursuance of the recommendation of the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, on motion of Rev. P. J. Robottom and Mr. L. Minor, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to express to J. B. Trulock, M. Danhauser and Austin & Taylor, their attorneys, the thanks of this Council for services in perfecting the title to the Pine Bluff Property.

The Council proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted unanimously as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood.

Mr. Jos. A. Reeves.

Rev. W. D. Buckner.

Mr. P. K. Roots.

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

REGISTRAR.

Mr. Fay Hempstead.

CHANCELLOR.

Mr. William G. Whipple.

TRUSTEES UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Mr. Charles K. Lincoln in place of R. B. Bancroft, moved from the Diocese, unexpired term, 1901. John M. Daggett, term ending 1903.

DEPUTIES TO GENERAL CONVENTION.

Clerical.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D.

Rev. James J. Vaulx, B. D.

Rev. D. B. Ramsey, B. D.

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

Lay.

Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.

Mr. P. K. Roots.

Mr. Samuel S. Faulkner.

Mr. John M. Daggett.

SUBSTITUTES.

(In the order of their election.)

Clerical.

Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed.
 Rev. Richard S. James, D. D.
 Rev. Walter D. Buckner.
 Rev. R. W. Rhames.

Lay.

Mr. R. V. McCracken,
 Mr. G. G. Latta.
 Mr. N. B. Trulock.
 Mr. Ed F. Furner.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

Mr. John Gatling.

Mr. Gustave Jones.

The Council by vote resolved itself into a Board of Missions, and sitting as a Board of Missions proceeded to elect a Board of Managers, which resulted unanimously as follows:

Clerical.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood.
 Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.
 Rev. W. D. Buckner.

Lay.

Mr. H. C. Rather.
 Mr. N. B. Trulock.
 Mr. John Gatling.

The Board of Missions was by vote dissolved and the Council resumed its session.

On nomination of Rev. Mr. Lockwood, the Rev. P. J. Robottom was unanimously elected preacher at the next Annual Council, and on nomination of Mr. John M. Daggett, Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., was elected alternate.

On invitation of the Rector of Christ Church, it was voted that the next Annual Council meet at Christ Church, Little Rock.

The Bishop appointed the following priests examining chaplains:

Rev. Percy J. Robottom, chairman, Ven. R. W. Rhames, Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D.

The Council took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Council was called to order by the Bishop.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons submitted their report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

Your committee on Constitution and Canons beg leave to report:

1. That they have had under consideration the following amendment to the Canons, viz: Amend section 67 by striking out the words "of whom the rector or minister shall appoint one as Senior Warden and the vestry shall elect another as Junior Warden," and also the following amendment to section 69: Amend section 69 by inserting therein, before the words "the Junior Warden," these words, namely: "the Senior Warden," and the same having been introduced at the Twenty-seventh Annual Council, we recommend their adoption.

2. That they have had under consideration the following amendment, viz: Amend section 61 by adding thereto the words, "Provided that no beneficiary of the mission funds shall be elected a member of the Board of Managers," and the same having been introduced at the Twenty-seventh Annual Council, we recommend that it be adopted.

3. That they have had under consideration the following amendment, viz: Amend section 1 by striking out the word "but" where it occurs next after the word "Council" in the fifth line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof these words, namely: "but no clergyman shall have a vote therein who shall not have been in charge of a Parish or Mission within one year next preceding, unless the clergyman shall be an assistant minister in some Parish or Mission, or a professor in a college, or superannuated, or incapacitated from having charge of a Parish or Mission by ill health, and", and the same having been introduced at the Twenty-seventh Annual Council, we recommend that it be not adopted.

4. That they have had under consideration the recommendation made by the Bishop in his annual address as to General Missionaries, and they recommend the adoption of the following amendment to the Canons, viz: Amend section 66 by striking out therefrom the words, "General Missionary," where they occur in the first and second lines of section 66, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "one or more Archdeacons and General Missionaries," and by striking out the words, "General Missionary," wherever else they shall occur in said section 66 and by inserting in lieu thereof the words, Archdeacons and General Missionaries," and by striking out the word "him" where it occurs in the sixth line and inserting the word "them," and by striking out the word "his" where it occurs in the ninth line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "their."

5. We recommend that section 61 be amended by striking out the words, "General Missionary, if there be one," and by substituting therefor the words, "Archdeacons and General Missionaries."

6. We recommend that section 11 be amended by inserting therein after the word "Registrar," these words, "shall procure and keep a well bound record book, to be paid for by the Treasurer of the Diocese, in which he shall record all deeds relating to church property which shall be deposited with him, and shall call on all Parishes and Missions for deeds or copies thereof of all church property, and shall *ex officio* have a seat and a voice in the Council, but no vote as such, and shall make an annual report to the Council, and."

The resolution appended to No. 1 was adopted unanimously and the Canon declared amended.

The resolution appended to No. 2 was adopted and the amendment declared lost.

Rev. A. W. Pierce offered an amendment to No. 3 as follows:

"Provided, that this shall not apply to any clergyman now Canonically connected with the Council."

After discussion, this Canon and the various amendments were referred to a Special Committee consisting of the Judiciary Committee and Rev. D. B. Ramsey.

The resolution appended to No. 4 was unanimously adopted and the Canon declared duly amended.

The recommendation No. 5 of the report was unanimously adopted and the Canon was declared duly amended.

The recommendation No. 6 of the report was unanimously adopted and the Canon declared duly amended.

On motion of Rev. J. J. Vaulx, Title I, Canon XIV, was amended by inserting as No. 13, report of the Registrar; and all the rules following numbered accordingly.

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report:

To the Bishop and Members of the Diocesan Council of Arkansas:

We, your Examining and Auditing Committee, beg to report, that we have examined and checked the following accounts:

Diocesan Fund, Disabled Clergy Fund, Bishop's Salary, Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, and have found same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. LEE,

H. C. RATHER,

Committee.

The report was approved.

(Report Trustee Episcopate Fund, see Appendix VI.)

(Diocesan Fund, Appendix VII.)

(Disabled Clergy Fund, Appendix VIII.)

(Bishop's Salary, Appendix IX.)

The Committee on State of the Church submitted their report, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on State of the Church beg leave to report, that they are highly gratified and greatly encouraged by the improved condition in which they find the Church in Arkansas, and the signal progress made by the Diocese within the brief period of a few short months; that they have to record the grandest year in the history of the Church in this State. It is truly remarkable. The labors of the Bishop in the field, and outside of it, for its advantage have both been untiring and eminently fruitful. The remarkable fund thus accumulated in aid of missionary work in the Diocese is far beyond all precedent. The Church in Arkansas has been placed in full touch with the American Church, thus sugering the brightest prospects for future years of co-operation and advancement.

It may well be believed that this beginning, stimulating as it is, is but the herald of a still more glorious day. That so much should be accomplished within so short a period by our new Bishop should fill our hearts with thanksgiving and gratitude to the bountiful Giver of all good. The blessed consequences are plainly visible in every quarter of the Diocese. The force of working clergy has increased within less than one year almost one hundred per cent, a marvelous augmentation of power for future good. New rectories, new chapels and churches seem to be the order of the day. On every side there is life, energy and rapid development. Parishes for long years stagnant have experienced a happy awakening. Where before there was division and weakness, in some instances to the point of paralysis, now there is harmony and

strength. Funds are freely contributed even by isolated churchmen and churchwomen long denied the dear privilege of the services of the Church. The Church is being planted in new places. Large confirmation classes are presented to the Bishop.

All this, under God, is mainly the result of the diligent and tireless labors of the Bishop, and of the Archdeacons provided, appointed and inspired by him. He and they have been unremitting in their journeyings to and fro into every corner of the Diocese, visiting and preaching and laboring, and especially appealing for assistance to help on the Holy Cause of Christ and the Church.

Truly, this is a wonderful record. Heartily may we exclaim, What Has God Wrought? Hopefully now may we move on in the good work, putting behind us the dead past and gazing steadfastly into the brightness of the coming years, wherein, with the steady and faithful exertion of the same forces and influences, we may reasonably hope, with the benediction of the Father, to enjoy a constantly increasing growth and expansion, until within a very few years, the Church in America will have cause to point with pride to the great work done in Arkansas.

G. GORDON SMEADE,

For the Committee.

Rev. J. B. Whaling submitted the following amendment to Canon 1, section 67:

Before the word "male" in the third line, insert the word "baptized," and eliminate the word "communicant" after the word "male."

The amendment failing of unanimous consent for passage it lies over until the next Council.

Mr. Gustave Jones offered the following:

Resolved, That the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund is directed to withdraw the fund from Building and Loan investments and invest the same in farm or city first mortgages, at current rates of interest at not less than eight per cent, on approved securities of at least double the amount to be loaned.

Colonel Whipple offered as a substitute:

That Trustee be requested not to make any further investments in New Series Building and Loan stock.

Substitute was accepted by the mover of the original resolution and was adopted by the Council.

The Council proceeded to the further election of officers.

Mr. P. K. Roots being the only nominee for Diocesan Treasurer, and Treasurer of the fund for Disabled Clergy,

and Bishop's Fund, the Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the Council, which was done, and Mr. Roots declared duly elected.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner being the only nominee for Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, the Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the Council, which was done, and Mr. Faulkner was declared duly elected.

The Special Committee on Theological Department University of the South, made a verbal report and asked to be continued. The request was granted.

The following resolution by Rev. G. Gordon Smeade was adopted:

We, the clergy and laymen of the Diocese of Arkansas in Council assembled, do hereby express our gratitude to the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society of the American Church, and to our friends North and East who responded so graciously to the appeal of our Diocesan for his great work in Arkansas. This response has awakened new life in every department of the Church's life, and is felt to the remotest bounds of the Diocese.

Resolved, That the next Council meet on the second Wednesday in May, 1901, and that reports be made to April 30 and sent to the Bishop through the Secretary.

Resolved, That the subject of the Bishop's salary be special order of the day immediately after the report of the Treasurer at the next Council.

Special Committee on increase of the Disabled Clergy Fund was on request continued with leave to report at the next Council.

On motion of Archdeacon Rhames, the subject of "Work Among the Colored People" was referred to a Special Committee of six, consisting of Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. W. D. Buckner, Mr. John Gatling, Judge John H. Rodgers, Mrs. M. A. Dorsey and Mrs. J. B. Pillow.

Committee on Ways and Means reported.

On motion of the Secretary, \$7 arrearages of St. James, Eureka Springs, were remitted and the report was adopted.

(Appendix X.)

The Secretary read the following communication, which was referred to the Special Committee on Biographical Sketch of Bishop Pierce:

Welser, Idaho, September 21, 1899.

Rt. Rev. Wm. Montgomery Brown, Little Rock, Ark.:

Right Reverend Sir—I am desired by the Missionary District of Boise to convey to the Diocese of Arkansas their profound sympathy in the loss of its beloved and reverend Diocesan. While the loss to the Church will be felt everywhere, yet the Diocese of Arkansas by reason of the personal relation existing will more nearly feel the removal of its beloved chief pastor.

Praying that God will direct and comfort you,

I am most sincerely,

JAMES H. McPHERSON,

Secretary Boise District.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved. That the Council congratulate the Woman's Auxiliary on their successful work during the past year.

Resolved. That a vote of thanks be extended to Miss Julia C. Emery for her work in this Diocese the past winter, and assistance to the Bishop in the Diocese of the East, and that the Secretary communicate the same to Miss Emery.

Resolved. That a vote of thanks be extended to Archdeacon Webber for his very helpful address at the sessions of this Council; that the Secretary send a copy to Archdeacon Webber.

Resolved. That this Council heartily approve of the Bishop's suggestions to make provisions for spiritual services and addresses in connection with the Annual Council.

R. W. RHAMES.

Resolved. That the Secretary publish in the Journal the documents referred to in Bishop's address on the death of Bishop Pierce, together with Bishop Pierce's Journal up to the date of his decease.

Resolved. That the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund pay the \$16.60 expense bill on the Pine Bluff property out of the Episcopate Fund.

Resolved. That the Secretary be ordered to have 500 copies of the Journal printed and distributed in the usual manner.

Resolved. That the Treasurer pay to Mr. John M. Daggett \$75, as an honorarium for services rendered at this Council.

Resolved. That the thanks of the Council be tendered to the railroads of the State for courtesies extended to the delegates to the Council and Woman's Auxiliary.

Resolved. That the thanks of the Council be tendered to the members of the Parishes of Christ Church and Trinity Cathedral, at Little Rock, for entertainment of delegates at this Council.

Resolved. That the Treasurer be ordered to pay the sexton \$5 for services during the present Council.

The Secretary reported the offertory for incidental expenses amounted to \$7.20, expenses \$4.20, and that the balance, \$3, had been paid to the Treasurer on account of Diocesan Fund.

The report was approved.

Approval of the minutes of to-day's proceedings was left to the Bishop and Secretary.

After prayers and benediction by the Bishop the Council adjourned *sine die*.

WM. M. BROWN,
Bishop of Arkansas.

Attest:

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary.

APPENDIX I.

ABSTRACT OF JOURNAL BISHOP PIERCE.

May 2, 1899.—I presided at a meeting of the Board of Missions at Bishop Brown's. We got through about midnight.

May 3.—I said the Communion office, Bishop Brown reading the Gospel, and Mr. Vaulx the Epistle. I read my annual address, and assisted by Bishop Brown, celebrated the Holy Eucharist. Then called the Council to order and presided all day.

May 4.—Presided in the Council morning and part of the afternoon.

May 5.—Presided in the Council till 12:30 p. m., when the Council adjourned *sine die*.

May 7.—I celebrated the Holy Eucharist at Trinity Cathedral.

May 11.—Ascension Day. Attended celebration in the Cathedral and received the Holy Communion.

May 14.—I said morning prayer in the Cathedral and received. At 4 p. m. I closed the services.

May 21.—Mr. Coote said the services and I celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Luke's, Hot Springs, and preached both morning and night.

May 28.—Preached a sermon and received the Holy Communion at the Cathedral and closed the afternoon service.

June 4.—Attended service at St. Peter's Church, Columbia, Tenn., and at night preached the baccalaureate sermon.

June 7.—Commencement exercises at the Institute, Columbia, Tenn. I made an address and delivered the diplomas and certificates.

June 11.—At 11 a. m., at St. Peter's Church, Columbia, Tenn., I preached the sermon and received the Holy Communion.

June 18.—At 11 a. m., in the Cathedral, I said morning prayer and received the Holy Communion. At evening prayer I closed the service.

June 21.—At 9 a. m. I presided at a meeting of the Board of Missions, held at the Capital Hotel.

June 24.—St. John Baptist Day. I attended celebration at the Cathedral and received the Holy Communion.

June 25.—I said morning prayer at Trinity Cathedral and received the Holy Communion. At evening prayer I closed the service.

June 27.—Wrote Rev. J. N. Perkins, chairman Church Building Fund Committee, New York, and inclosed a draft for \$69.49 for Dardanelle Church debt, leaving a balance of \$60.27.

June 29.—St. Peter's Day. Received the Holy Communion in the Cathedral.

I this day accepted Letters Dimissory from the Diocese of Kentucky, and sent Canonical notice of acceptance of Rev. W. G. Coote. Bishop Brown called and I handed over to him the statement com-

cerning the Dardanelle Church debt, and have his promise to pay the balance, \$60.27, out of funds collected by him from my field.

June 30.—At 2:15 p. m., at Trinity Cathedral, Rev. A. W. Pierce presented and I confirmed three persons and made a short address.

July 2.—At 11 a. m., at the Cathedral, I preached and received the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I began a sermon on the "Catholic Oranda." At 5 p. m. I closed the Choral Evensong.

July 9.—At 11 a. m. I said morning prayer and received the Holy Communion. At Evensong I closed the service.

July 12.—At 8 p. m. I preached in St. John's Church, Helena, "The Spirit and the Bride Say Come." Confirmed eighteen persons and addressed the class.

July 16.—At 11 a. m., in the Cathedral, I said the Bishop's part in the celebration and received the Holy Communion.

July 19.—The Standing Committee of the Diocese met in my study at 10 a. m., I being present at their request.

July 23.—In the Cathedral, at 11 a. m., I took the Bishop's part in the celebration and received the Holy Communion, after which Rev. A. W. Pierce baptized William Starr Mitchell,* of Little Rock, and I confirmed him. At 5 p. m. I closed the Choral Evensong with benediction.

July 24.—I gave my Canonical consent to the consecration of Rev. Joseph Marshall Francis, Bishop-elect of Indiana.

July 30.—At 11 a. m., in the Cathedral, I said the Bishop's part and received. In the evening I finished writing sermon on the "Catholic Oranda."

August 1.—At 9:10 I took the train for Fayetteville via Van Buren. Rev. J. J. Vaulx met me at the cars at Fayetteville and I became his guest.

August 6.—At 11 a. m., in St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, I preached the "Catholic Oranda;" said the Bishop's part in the celebration and received the Holy Communion. Rev. J. J. Vaulx celebrated.

The next note found in the Bishop's diary is that on August 8 Mr. Vaulx started for Colorado Springs at 8 a. m.

The last entry, August 9, is of letters written to Dr. James at Eureka Springs, to his wife at Little Rock, and to G. W. Millard at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. which was the last letter written by him so far as known.

On the next day he was seized with the illness which finally resulted in death. Having gone to Fayetteville for the express purpose of relieving Mr. Vaulx so that he might have a month's vacation, the Bishop, notwithstanding his illness, felt reluctant to omit a service, and on Sunday, August 13, he officiated for the last time by a celebration of the Holy Communion, without sermon, at St. Paul's, Fayetteville.

*This was the Bishop's last confirmation.

APPENDIX II.

SECOND ADDRESS TO THE ANNUAL
COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE.

By the Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

NECROLOGY.

The thought uppermost in the minds of us all this day is the great change which God in His inscrutable providence has wrought by the removal of our late venerable and beloved Diocesan, Bishop Pierce. Although he had already outlived the allotted time of man on earth, his mental and physical vigor, as manifested at the meeting of our last Council, gave promise of continuance among us for years. The Bishop belonged to a long lived family. He used to refer to a brother still living who was twelve years his senior, and I was of the opinion, as no doubt everyone among us was, that there was good reason for the hope that he too would pass the ninetieth milestone in the way of life. But God saw fit to call him to the rest of Paradise in the eightieth year of his pilgrimage.

Though I admired and loved Bishop Pierce, my personal acquaintance with him extended through less than two years. After coming to the Diocese as his Coadjutor I made it a point to see as much of him as possible. While in the city between my visitation tours, I always tried to get through with my office work in time to secure to myself the privilege of sitting at the feet of this Gamaliel of the Delta before leaving. During the busy season I could remain but a little time for talking, but I always felt that my loss in this respect was more than compensated for by the few hours of conversation that I had with him, and with his personally learned subordinates. The Bishop was, upon the whole, the most interesting and exciting conversationalist to whom it ever has been my privilege to listen.

Bishop Pierce's calling was in the estimation of all men truly remarkable, both for its breadth and depth. He was at once a linguist, a mathematician, a poet, a philosopher and a scientist, and with all his overwhelming greatness as a scholar he was as humble as a little child. His unaffected simplicity and lack of assumption made it possible for all classes to be comfortable in his presence. Whether in the midst of college professors or a group of young

school children, he was the center towards which all eyes were admiringly turned. In either case the interest of his auditors never flagged.

I am sure that all will agree that the Journal of this Council should contain a biographical sketch of this distinguished scholar and Bishop, and I recommend that a committee be appointed to draw up a short account of his life and work for publication. I also recommend that the obituary notices by the Bishops who were in attendance at the funeral be printed with the report of the proposed committee representing this Council.

The Rt. Rev. Henry Adams Neely, D. D., Bishop of Maine, has also passed to his reward since the last meeting of our Council.

The words of the Bishop of Springfield, in speaking of Bishops Pierce and Neely, are so true and fitting and withal so brief that I quote them. Of our departed and gifted Bishop he says:

"He was a man of unusual ability and learning. His talents were versatile. He was a theologian, and a close reasoner, an excellent preacher, and a poet. Perhaps we might have wished, either that he had been twenty years younger when he was sent into his vast missionary field, or that his lot, when over fifty years of age, had been cast in a less arduous sphere of physical hardship and toil. Our memories of the Bishop are most pleasant. We mourn his death." Of the sainted Bishop Neely he says: "There are men like Bishop Pierce, whose intellect overshadows all; and then there are men not deficient in mental power, but whose moral excellence and spiritual gifts so shine that they always go in association with them as sweet companions. This seemed to me to be true of dear, good Bishop Neely. He was guileless, and pure and true. It seemed fitting that one so saintly should be called away from earth on the eve of All Saints."

Bishops Neely and Pierce were among the oldest of our Bishops. Accordingly their death was much less of a shock to the Church at large than that of the Rt. Rev. Mahlon Norris Gilbert, D. D., LL. D., Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, who, in the prime of his most energetic and useful life, was taken away suddenly in February last. He had been in Philadelphia where I had the privilege of seeing a good deal of him under pleasant circumstances. In fact, I dined with him on the day he left for home. On the way he was so unfortunate as to contract a severe and persistent cold, which terminated in pneumonia. He died on February 17, 1900. "Bishop Gilbert was a true shepherd of the souls intrusted to him. He was one of those rare men who, in spite of overwhelming duties, make the distinction between persons and people. He was always ready to hear the need of all and to give counsel to any who desired it. His devotion to the welfare of the Indians in his Diocese was inspiring. For several weeks of every year he lived with them. His love for them and theirs for him was of the kind that could only come from such intimate contact. He saw in every man,

whether his skin might be white, or red, or black, a son of God, in whom were contained infinite possibilities. The Church is indeed the poorer for the ending of his earthly labors, but the richer for the blessed memory of his life."

MY WORK.

The record of work for the second Council year of my Episcopate differs a good deal from that of the first. The first year was naturally spent in becoming acquainted with the field in order that I might determine what I must do and what I must have for the development of the Diocese. It will be remembered that our venerable Diocesan, by his assignment of jurisdiction, had made me responsible for the whole missionary work.

After a careful study of the situation in the light of my experience as the General Missionary of the Diocese of Ohio, I made up my mind that, in order to develop the Church in Arkansas, I must place in the field three General Missionaries, and for this I would have to have \$4,500. I also considered it necessary to place twelve Circuit Missionaries. These, according to my estimates, would require \$2,000 over and above the stipends that could be depended upon from the congregations they would serve. I further decided that five Mission Churches must be built each year in as many important places; and I knew from experience that in order to encourage newly organized congregations to undertake the securing of the money necessary to buy a lot and build a chapel free of debt they would have to be encouraged by outside help to about one-third of the required amount. This, according to my estimates, would make it necessary for me to have \$2,500 for a building fund.

Thus I felt the need of \$4,500 for three General Missionaries, \$2,000 for twelve Circuit Missionaries, and \$2,500 for the building fund. Total, \$9,000.

PLANS FOR SECURING THE MONEY.

The summer months were spent in the maturing of plans for securing the indispensable, but perplexing, \$9,000.

At first I thought of asking the Board of Missions to increase the appropriation to Arkansas by the amount of \$1,000. This would give us a total from that direction of \$2,500. Then I proposed to ask the congregations of Arkansas to give me \$1,000. If the Board and the Diocese complied with my requests I would have \$3,500, and there would remain \$5,500 for me to raise among friends that I proposed to endeavor to make for the Diocese of Arkansas at the North and East.

These plans were modified by the sudden and lamentable death of our dear Diocesan. He had been receiving a salary of \$3,000 from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and I now determined to ask the Board of Managers for an additional appropriation of that amount. If granted we would have \$4,500, just half the amount upon which I had set my heart.

PLEAS BEFORE THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

I went on to New York City for the purpose of making my plea at the September meeting of the Board, which was held on the 19th. I was given a hearing of twenty minutes and succeeded in so far favorably impressing the Board as to secure for my representations and plea a reference to the Advisory Committee of the Board.

At the October meeting, held on the 12th, I appeared, by appointment, before that committee. When I had about half finished my address, a distinguished and influential member interrupted me by saying that my representations had been investigated by the committee and found to be conservative and reasonable and that he was ready to offer a resolution recommending that the petition be granted on condition that I would raise \$4,500 from my people and from friends that I could make for Arkansas at the North and East. The resolution was offered and after a few questions, to which I seemed to have made satisfactory reply, it was unanimously adopted.

Later in the day, this recommendation was acted upon by the Board of Managers, and I understand it was adopted without a dissenting voice. I was told by one of the oldest members of the Board that he had seldom seen a similar petition granted with such unanimity and good will.

The resolution, under which my application to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for an increased appropriation was granted, ran as follows:

Resolved: That inasmuch as the Bishop of Arkansas guarantees to raise an additional \$4,500 from the congregations of his Diocese and from his friends outside of the Diocese to put into the mission work in Arkansas, and inasmuch as the Board approves the plan of work which he has laid before it, that an additional appropriation at the rate of \$3,000 per annum be made to take effect on December 1, next, at which time the present appropriation for the late Bishop's salary terminates."

Some of my friends have thought that the Board dealt hardly with me in accepting my terms and making the increased appropriation conditional. I do not agree with them. I believe that there is much wisdom in conditional appropriations for missionary and benevolent purposes. It stimulates self-help and prevents pauperism.

The action of the representatives of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society was a great joy to me, because it put within reach half of the \$9,000 which I had determined must be secured annually in order to make my Episcopate a success from a missionary point of view.

THE ARCHDEACONS.

As the field had been by the force of circumstances neglected so long, and as the rapid development of the State is multiplying golden opportunities for the planting of the Church, I felt that time was precious, and that we could not afford to lose any of it. So I

took it for granted that my people would give me the \$1,000 that the Board expected me to raise from them and that when the time came for me to go North and East I would make friends there who would give me the remaining \$3,500 necessary to secure the \$4,500 conditionally pledged by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and accordingly I immediately began to cast about for two suitable men whom I could secure and appoint as General Missionaries in the Archdeaconates of Eastern and Western Arkansas, into which I proposed to divide the Diocese by a line running along the western boundaries of the following counties, namely, Marion, Searcy, Van Buren, Conway, thence on the east bank of the Arkansas River to the northwest corner of Lincoln County, and thence all east of the western boundaries of Lincoln, Drew, Bradley, and Ashley.

By January 1, 1900, I had secured the Rev. R. W. Rhames, M. A., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport, for the Archdeaconate of Eastern Arkansas, and the Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., Curate of the Church of the Holy Apostles, New York City, for the Archdeaconate of Western Arkansas. Both of these gentlemen took up their work on that date. I am sure that none who know anything about their work, so far, will in either case doubt the wisdom of our choice. Their reports will be an interesting feature of this Council.

CONFESSION AND REQUEST.

My attention has been called to the fact that by appointing two General Missionaries I exceeded my Canonical authority. The point is well taken. My defense is that in view of the immediate and pressing needs of the field and of the fact that my plans of operation had met with the cordial approval of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and of our own Diocesan Board of Missions, there was good ground for hope that this Council would unanimously approve of my action and amend the fractured Canon so as to conform with the new situation. I respectfully ask that this be done.

PLEAS AT THE NORTH AND EAST.

As soon as the Archdeacons were in the field I felt free and obliged to start for the North and East for the purpose of making the friends who would give me the requisite \$3,500. I left on January 2, and did not get back until April 22.

I reached Philadelphia in time to begin my new and uncongenial work on the first Sunday of the year 1900. An acquaintance, the Rev. O. S. Michael, whom I had not seen since our school days in Gambier, Ohio, kindly gave me a hearing on the morning of that day in his church and secured me an opening for the afternoon and evening in other churches. He had also succeeded in providing me with opportunities for telling my story on the following Sunday morning and evening.

Beyond that everything seemed closed against me, and probably would have actually remained so but for the fact that my good friend took me on the first Monday morning to the Church House of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, where the Clerical Brotherhood of Philadelphia was in session. On that occasion, through the influence of the Rev. Dr. Bodine, who was president of Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, during my seminary course there, I was invited to make an address to the Brotherhood at its next meeting on the following Monday morning, January 15.

Fortunately for me and the great cause for which I had come to plead, my address made a favorable impression. Indeed, it was received with so much enthusiasm that at times I could not proceed because of the applause. I spoke for three-quarters of an hour. When I had finished the Brotherhood passed the following very pleasant resolution:

"The Clerical Brotherhood hereby expresses its hearty thanks to Bishop Brown for his luminous exposition of the condition and needs of the Church in Arkansas, and wishes for him the fullest measure of success in his important field."

The Clerical Brotherhood of Philadelphia did not confine its manifestation of interest in neglected Arkansas to this resolution, but it started a subscription for me among its members—a thing which I was told the Brotherhood had never done for any other of all the Bishops and Missionaries who had addressed it. Besides the members gave me invitations to speak in their churches. From that time on it was comparatively clear sailing for me, so far as opportunities to speak were concerned.

I had planned to be back at my post of legitimate duty in the Diocese by Ash Wednesday, which this year fell on the last day of February. Of the intervening two months I expected to spend about two weeks at Philadelphia and six at New York. Everybody with whom I had talked represented that New York was the Mecca for Missionaries who were in quest of money with which to carry on and develop their work. But I was a stranger to all except one or two of the New York Clergy, and those to whom I had written, about twenty in all, gave me little or no encouragement. They said I was too late in making application. One of the Rectors gave me a hearing with his Junior Auxilliary; so far that was all.

In view of this lack of response on the part of the New York Clergy, and of the foothold I had secured in Philadelphia, I naturally concluded to let well enough alone and retain my headquarters there during the whole of my intended absence.

To this resolution I adhered, although I did make excursions to the various parts of Greater New York, where, in all, I made as many as seven addresses. I also got as far northeast as Cohoes, Diocese of Albany, and Bridgeport, Conn., and as far south as Norfolk, Va. The city of Buffalo was the farthest western point at which I made an address. I made a good many addresses

in the Diocese of Newark, some in that of New Jersey, and one or two each in the Dioceses of Central Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Washington. But I did much more speaking in and about the city of Philadelphia than in all of the other places put together.

I had not been at the work of collecting funds above three weeks before it became manifest that the \$3,500 for which I had come would neither be in hand nor in view by Ash Wednesday. The money and pledges were coming in too slowly for that. This was a great disappointment to me. Finally, when I was feeling very despondent about the outlook, I resolved to go to the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania for expert advice. He had been the Missionary Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho, and, while there, he had the reputation of being the most successful of all the Bishops in collecting funds at the North and East. He kindly went over the whole situation with me and, to my surprise and comfort, assured me that I was on the right road, and that if I would remain and persevere through Lent which was the best time for my work I would be certain to go back to Arkansas with all that I had come for.

As everything depended upon the success of my mission to the North and East there was nothing for me to do but to persevere. Accordingly I most reluctantly canceled my Lenten engagements with the Clergy of Arkansas and accepted, as far as possible, all of the invitations to make addresses that came to me. During Lent I spoke at least forty times on week days and three times each Sunday.

LETTERS DIMISSORY.

I have received and accepted from the Bishop of California a Letter Dimissory in due form bearing date January 29, 1900, in favor of the Ven. William D. Williams, D. D., the Archdeacon of Western Arkansas.

I have received and accepted from the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania a Letter Dimissory in due form, bearing date March 29, in favor of the Rev. Percy J. Robottom, the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport.

I have received and accepted from the Bishop of the Missionary District of Duluth a Letter Dimissory in due form bearing date April 5, in favor of the Rev. Angus A. Robertson, Deacon, the Minister in charge of St. John's Church, Fort Smith.

EPISCOPAL CONSENTS.

I have in the course of the Council year given my consent to the following Episcopal Consecrations, namely: The Rev. Joseph Marshall Francis to the Bishopric of Indiana; the Rev. Arthur Lewellyn Williams to the Coadjutor Bishopric, of Nebraska; the Rev. William Lloyall Gravatt to the Coadjutor Bishopric of West Virginia; the Rev. Sidney C. Partridge to the Missionary Episcopate of Kyoto, Japan; the Rev. Charles Palmerston Anderson, to the Coadjutor Episcopate of Chicago, and the Rev. Robert Codman, Jr., to the Bishopric of Maine.

On Thursday, April 19, 1900, at a meeting of the majority of the Bishops of the Episcopal Church, held at the Church Missions House in the City of New York, I gave my consent to the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Rt. Rev. Henry Melville Jackson, D. D., Bishop-Coadjutor of Alabama.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Owing to the fact that my Lenten appointments for confirmation visitations had to be canceled, the number of such visitations for the year is small and consequently the candidates confirmed are correspondingly few.

My visitations for confirmation were as follows: Sunday, May 7. St. Paul's, Newport, seven candidates confirmed; Sunday, May 21, St. Paul's, Fayetteville, one candidate; St. Philip's, Little Rock, Wednesday, May 31, one candidate; Mena (Preaching Station), Sunday, June 4, thirteen candidates; Winslow (Preaching Station), Monday, June 19, five candidates; St. Paul's, Batesville, Saturday, June 24, nine candidates; St. Philip's, Little Rock, Sunday, November 19, one candidate; Little Rock, Trinity Cathedral, Sunday, November 19, one candidate; St. Paul's, Newport, Sunday, December 10, nine candidates; Augusta (Preaching Station), Monday, December 11, two candidates; Trinity, Pine Bluff, Sunday, December 31, fifteen candidates; Christ Church, Little Rock, Sunday, April 22, forty-four candidates; St. John's, Camden, Sunday, April 29, seven candidates. Number of the Arkansas visitations for confirmation, thirteen; number of candidates confirmed, 115.

SUMMARY OF MY WORK IN ARKANSAS.

Places visited, thirty-four; number of visitations, fifty-one; sermons, sixty-five; addresses, seventy-five; lectures, sixteen; baptisms, ten; confirmations, 108; communions, twenty-eight; marriages, one; letters dimissory received, three.

COMPLETE LIST OF THE PERSONS CONFIRMED BY ME SO FAR IN THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS:

Marianna—St. Andrew's Church, July 10, 1898: Dr. Robert Lawrence Foreman, Eaton Pugh Govan, Cornelia Dancy Govan, Mrs. Josephine Foreman, Miss Irene Coleman McAnulty.

Jonesboro—St. Mark's Church, July 12, 1898: Mr. Talbot Howard Campbell, Mrs. Nellie Valorie Campbell, Mrs. Alice Schroeder.

Eureka Springs—St. James's Church, July 17, 1898: Mrs. Gertrude Alexander, Miss Marie Harper.

Baring Cross, Little Rock—Preaching Station, November 8, 1898: One candidate.

Camden—St. John's Church, November 13, 1898: Miss Verser Harrison, of El Dorado, Ark., Mr. Edward Hughes Lake, of El Dorado, Ark.

Morrilton—St. Agnes's Church, November 29, 1898: Miss Maurey Jackson.

Batesville—St. Paul's Church, December 27, 1898: Alberta Clayton Weaver, Jessie Cravens, Maud McCormack, Mrs. Elvira Fowler Boyd, Hugh French Boyd, Eugene Carter Fitzhugh, Harry Ralph Neudorffer.

Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's Church, January 3, 1899: Rosalie Burton Hynson, Lawrence McKee Hynson, Gladys Williams.

Washington—Grace Church, January 10, 1899: Frieda Gertrude Von Jagersfeld, Daphne Sandefur, Mrs. Clara Augusta Sandefur.

Hope—St. Mark's Church, January 24, 1899: Natilene Norwood, Lillian Phillips, Arthur Reginald Walter Barlow.

Little Rock—St. Philip's Church, April 17, 1899: James Bunting, Frank Williams.

Little Rock—St. Philip's Church, April 26, 1899: Sarah Harrison, Cora Williams, Minnie Williams, Fannie Johnson.

Searcy—Preaching Station, April 27, 1899: Homer Prince, John Edward Neal, Thomas Branch Paschall, Kate Carlton, Mollie Neal, Lettie Zimmerman, Jennie Hicks Deener, Lula Oliver Dickinson.

Searcy—Preaching Station, April 28, 1899: James Edward Lightle.

Newport—St. Paul's Church, May 7, 1899: Mr. John Clone Herron, Mrs. Bertha May Herron, Mrs. May Evelyn Kinman.

Fayetteville—St. Paul's Church, May 23, 1899: Wray Thompson Thorne.

Mena—Preaching Station, June 4, 1899: Mr. Theodore Ellsworth Beck, Mr. Samuel P. Folsom, Mr. James Ellery Holden, Mr. Wm. Ivan Mathany, Mrs. Edna Virginia Mathany, Mrs. Ella Pickering, Mrs. Mary E. Corcoran, Mrs. Louise Schlosser, Mrs. Emma Holden, Mrs. Edith Estella Thayer, Miss Sabra Alice Pickering, Master Charles Bissell, Master Benjamin Shaver.

Winslow—June 19, 1899: Mr. George Forrest Maitland, Mrs. Fannie Carlisle Maitland, Miss Gertie May Gregg, Miss Lizzie May Page, Master Albert Thomas Hall.

Batesville—St. Paul's Church, June 25, 1899: Mrs. Mary Maude Lewis, Mrs. Mary Roszana Meriwether, Mary Elenora Meriwether, Alice Florence Ruddell, Seddie Albert, Sarah Ellen Weaver, Roy Lawrence Weaver, Lee Nell Virginia Hall, Herman Guenzel.

Little Rock—St. Philip's Church, November 19, 1899: Harris Rose, Sophronia C. Daniels.

Newport—St. Paul's Church, December 10, 1899: Robert Christman Harder, Thomas Jackson Gregg, William Gray Magoffin, Ernest Cecil Waterman, George William Sexon, Frederick A. Jones, Hetty Brandenburg Wilmans, Angelena Sherman, Frances Kelley Terry, Mattie Stayton Waterman, Lena A. Sexon.

Augusta—Unorganized Mission, December 11, 1899: Minnie Ramsaur, Lucy Bronson.

Pine Bluff—Trinity Church, December 31, 1899: Nell Bell,

Eugene Downs, Kirkwood Matlock, James Larkin, Frank Taylor, Jno. Harmon Thach, Nettie Grace, Lutie Grace, Kate Johnson, Ella Johnson, Jet Mills, Pauline Scull, Mamie Williford, Alpha Kiteley, Kate Harding, Susan Mortagle.

Newport—St. Paul's Church, January 2, 1899: Joseph O. Burgess, William D. Brown, Julia Burgess.

Little Rock—Christ Church, April 22, 1900: Mr. Verne Ricord Stover, Mr. Rufus E. Brugman, Mr. Jno. C. Peay, Mr. W. A. Pickering, Mr. Reyburn R. Peay, Mr. Oscar Addison Schaad, Mr. James David Crockett, Mr. Ashley Cockrill, Mr. Shelby Tuppes Jabine, Mr. F. D. Leaming, Mr. E. H. Leaming, Mr. Clarence Shell Gordon, Mr. Robert Whitfield Newell, Mr. Robert Dorsey Wooldridge, Mr. Albert Retan, Major Claude H. Sayle, Mrs. Grace Anna Dean, Miss Winnie Grace Dean, Mrs. Lida Leopard, Mrs. Nettie Williams, Mrs. Clara Whayne, Miss — Prewitt, Miss Irene Elizabeth Hamilton, Miss Ethel Marigold Smith, Miss Bettie G. Ward, Miss Gertrude Berbig, Mrs. F. D. Leaming, Mrs. E. H. Leaming, Mrs. Jno. W. Mast, Jr., Miss Serena L. Abbott, Miss Abbigale Belle Becker, Mrs. Jennie Mitchell Cockrill, Miss Jessie Eliza Scott, Mrs. Robert E. Wait, Mrs. Reyburn R. Peay, Mrs. Matilda Merriman, Mrs. Melissa Retan, Miss Zilla E. Retan, Miss Carrie May Retan, Miss June Sibeck, Mrs. Lucile Hillis Hooper, Miss Maggie Richard Henwood, Miss Martha Dickinson Brugman.

Camden—St. John's Church, April 29, 1900: Barnes Schicker, Harold Young, William F. Avera, Bessie Clara Neilson, Louise Beltzner, Mary Truesdale, Willie Saxon.

VISITATIONS.

In the course of the year I have visited the following places in Arkansas from one to three times, namely, Newport, three times; Forrest City, twice; Brinkley, once; Fayetteville, twice; Springdale, once; Conway, once; Nashville, once; Washington, once; Little Rock—St. Philip's, twice; Trinity, twice; St. Paul's, once; Christ Church, three times; Siloam Springs, twice; Rocky Comfort, twice; Winthrop, twice; Mena, twice; Fort Smith, three times; Van Buren, twice; Winslow, once; Morrilton, once; Batesville, twice; Mammoth Spring, once; Paragould, once; Jonesboro, once; Eureka Springs, once; Hot Springs, once; Pine Bluff, twice; Helena, once; Pulaski Heights, once; Lake Village, once; Monticello, once; Hope, once; Augusta, once; Searcy, once.

Total number of places visited, thirty-four; total number of visitations, fifty-one; number of sermons preached, sixty-five; number of lectures delivered, sixteen; number of addresses made, seventy-five. Total number of sermons, lectures, and addresses delivered in Arkansas, 132.

BAPTISMS.

I administered the Sacrament of Public Baptism as follows: Brinkley—Thursday, May 17, one infant; Winthrop—Sunday, June 4, one infant; Fort Smith—Saturday, June 16, one infant; Van Buren—Monday, June 19, one infant; Little Rock—Trinity, Sunday, November 19, one infant; Lake Village—Tuesday, November 21, one infant; Rocky Comfort—Sunday, December 3, two children; Hot Springs—Wednesday, December 26, one infant; Hot Springs—Thursday, December 27, one infant.

OUTSIDE WORK.

At the request of the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, I delivered an address on behalf of the Society at the Council of the Diocese of Dallas, held in the city of Dallas on Tuesday, May 9.

At the request of the Bishop of Kansas, I delivered the annual address at the commencement exercises of the College of the Sisters of Bethany, at Topeka, Kan., on Wednesday, June 7.

I attended the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South, at Sewanee, Tenn., from July 27 to August 3. I believe it to be a duty and privilege to do what I can for that interesting and invaluable institution of higher learning, and I hope that the Clergy and Laity will more and more share this conviction. Sewanee and Alexandria are the jewels of the Southern Church. Let us prize them and care for them as such.

By the request of the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, I preached one of the sermons at St. Louis on the Sunday preceding the meeting of the Missionary Council, which convened in that City on Tuesday, October 24, and adjourned on Thursday the 26th.

On the afternoon of the 26th and the morning of the 27th, I attended the meeting of the House of Bishops, called to meet in connection with the Missionary Council.

On Wednesday, December 20, I attended at the city of Dallas, Texas, the services, reception and dinner which commemorated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Alexander Charles Garrett, D. D. LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Dallas. The splendid Cathedral of St. Matthew was dedicated on that day. Six of the neighboring Bishops were present on this happy and memorable occasion.

In the course of the year I have also preached by special invitation at the following places outside of the Diocese of Arkansas: Texarkana, Texas; Cleveland, Ohio; Springfield, Ohio; Youngstown, Ohio; Galion, Ohio; Sharon, Pa.; Buffalo, N. Y., and Philadelphia, Pa. During the three months and a half that I was North and East I delivered 114 appeals on behalf of our great undeveloped Diocese. This was an average of just about one address for each day of absence. When you consider the traveling and correspond-

ence and social talking which so many addresses involved, you will understand it was no holiday.

At the request of the Bishop of New York I confirmed a class of eight on Monday, April 2, at Good Shepherd's, Newburgh, N. Y., and at the request of the Bishop of Newark I confirmed a class of forty-two on Thursday, April 12, in Grace Church, Orange, N. J.

SUGGESTIONS.

I should like to have this Council consider the advisability of making provision for the carrying out of the following suggestions, namely:

1. That three Laymen and three Laywomen be appointed as an advisory committee to the Bishop, who will assist him in the formulation of plans for systematic work among the colored people.
2. That more efficient provision be made for raising the sum apportioned to the Diocese of Arkansas for the support of the University of the South.
3. That the committee on the State of the Church be instructed to furnish this Council for publication in its journal a list of the Parishes and Missions which were duly organized and in existence at the time of my consecration.
4. That a committee of three be appointed to consider the advisability of taking some steps looking towards the relief of any aged infirm and disabled Clergymen that Arkansas may have in the years to come.

CLERICAL CHANGES.

About the beginning of the Council year the Rev. A. W. Pierce, Rector of Grace Church, Washington, and the Church of Our Redeemer, Nashville, gave up that missionary work to take charge by the appointment of Bishop Pierce of the Cathedral services. In November he was requested by the Chapter, the Bishop consenting, to continue the services for one year as Minister in charge, with the title of Rector.

The Rev. I. P. Daniels, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, resigned and gave up his work on December 1, 1899. He is still Canonically connected with the Diocese.

The Rev. G. W. Coote, Minister in charge of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, gave up that work in November, and by my appointment took temporary charge of our missionary work at Mena.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport, was requested by me to accept the appointment to the Archdeaconate of Eastern Arkansas. He accepted and began work on January 1, 1900.

The Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Batesville, having been nominated by me to the Vestry of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, was called to the Rectorship of that Parish in January. He accepted the call and commenced his new work at the beginning of Lent.

One Clergyman, the Rev. I. M. Merlinjones, of the Diocese of California, who has been at St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton, since December, 1898, has left the Diocese within the Council year. Six Clergymen have come to us.

In September, the Rev. Martin Damer, from the Diocese of Kansas, became the Missionary in charge of St. Mark's, Hope, Grace, Washington, and Our Redeemer, Nashville.

The Rev. J. B. Whaling, from the Diocese of Pittsburg, became Rector of the Missionary Parish of Trinity Church, Van Buren, in October.

The Rev. E. L. Kemp, from the Diocese of Ohio, became Rector of the Missionary Parishes of St. Andrew's, Marianna, and Good Shepherd, Forrest City. He is also in charge of St. Luke's Mission, Brinkley.

On January 1, 1900, the Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., became the General Missionary of western Arkansas, with the title of Archdeacon. Though a member of the Diocese of California, Dr. Williams came to us from the Church of the Holy Apostles, New York City, where he had been the Curate for some time.

The Rev. Percy J. Robottom, from the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, who, in February, became Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport.

In March the Rev. Angus A. Robertson, Deacon of the Diocese of Duluth, became Minister in charge of St. John's Church, Fort Smith. Two other Clergymen, the Rev. J. D. Simmons, Deacon of the Diocese of Newark, and the Rev. L. S. Shermer, of the Diocese of Connecticut, have accepted calls respectively to the Assistantship of Christ Church, Little Rock, and the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Batesville, but they will not take up their work until the first Sunday of the new Council year. They have, however, reached us in time to attend this Council, and we welcome them with all the brethren who have come to the Diocese since our last meeting. I am sure that many petitions will ascend to the throne of Grace on their behalf. I have, with the approval of our Missionary Committee, entered into an arrangement with the Bishop of West Missouri by which our Mission at Mammoth Spring has been associated with two of his Missions in charge of the Rev. Edmund A. Neville, who is a member of the Diocese of West Missouri.

On November 7, 1899, I gave my consent to the sale of the Rectory of Trinity Parish, Pine Bluff, located on Fourth avenue. As I understood it, the proceeds of this property when sold is to be reinvested in either a new Rectory or a Parish building.

PROGRESS IN THE MISSION FIELD.

Not counting the Bishops, we began the Council year with nine Clergymen in the field; we end it with fifteen, and two more here to enter immediately. This in itself is a very decided and highly gratifying advance, especially when we consider that the character and

abilities of the six Clergymen who have come to us are such as to justify the hope of the rapid development of the Church in their respective fields.

Again we began the year with an appropriation from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of \$1,500 for Church Extension work among our white population, and \$400 among the colored people, and there was considerable doubt about the continuation of the appropriation much longer. That appropriation for the white work is now \$4,500 per annum, with the understanding that if we fulfill the conditions upon which the increase of \$3,000 was made we may reasonably count upon it for the next ten years. The appropriation for the colored work remains the same. Aside from these appropriations, there was no money in view for our missionary operations except what could be counted upon from the collections sent in by our few, and for the most part, feeble congregations; and the record of past years show that without a special effort not more than \$500 might be expected from that source. As matters stood, the whole amount that the Bishop and Board could appropriate to the development of the Mission field among the white people was \$2,000.

As the result of our special efforts, we now have for that work a total in hand or in view of \$12,126.50. That is, the Bishop and Board of Missions have at the close of the year over \$10,000 more to do with than they had at the beginning. This is an advance which should fill us with gratitude to God and to our generous benefactors—the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the congregations, and the individuals who gave in response to our appeals.

If I were a musician, I would introduce at this point the *Te Deum* or the *Gloria in Excelsis*, and I am very sure you would all join in most heartily.

Nor is this all of the good fortune that I have the great privilege and pleasure of reporting to you. There has been a decided advance at several places.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, which has been a Mission Parish from time immemorial, has become self-supporting. This was made possible by the building of a comfortable Rectory which cost in round numbers, \$1,500, of which amount the people raised \$1,000.

The neighboring Parish, St. Paul's, Batesville, has been advancing towards the self-supporting condition. It has purchased and paid for a large, beautiful lot contiguous to the church property, and I have heard rumors to the effect that at the Easter meeting of the congregation there was manifested a general disposition and determination to from this on stand alone.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, has done nobly. It had at the beginning of the year a miserable excuse of a Rectory in an almost inaccessible, out of the way place. By giving this house and paying \$1,500 they had an opportunity of securing one of the finest resi-

dences in the city which happened to be well located. At first it seemed impossible to secure the \$1,500, but to the great credit of the Rector and people it was undertaken and accomplished.

An equally heroic enterprise has been carried through by the Rector and people of Good Shepherd Church, Forrest City. The house and spacious lot next to the fine chapel were for sale. Naturally enough, they were coveted for a Rectory property. But where was its price, \$1,200, to come from? Perplexing as the question was the Ladies' Guild and the Rector settled it to the great happiness of all, and we rejoice with them.

I will go back to do the ladies of Newport and Van Buren the justice of saying that they also deserve much credit for what they did towards securing those Rectories.

But why talk of heroism and Ladies' Guilds until we come to little St. Mark's, Jonesboro. We only have about a dozen communicants there, chiefly ladies, none of whom are able to give much, and yet, through their persistent endeavors, supplemented by the efforts of the men whom they could influence, they have within the year built, without debt, at a cost of \$1,200, one of the most beautiful little chapels in this or any other Diocese. The enthusiasm of Mission congregations often develops into pleasant surprises, but this accomplishment has, in my extensive missionary experience, seldom, if ever, been equaled.

However, all things considered, the ladies of Mena are not far behind those of Jonesboro. Mena itself was not even in existence two and a half or three years ago, and when I went there, about fifteen months since, I found fewer people who were attached to the Church than we have at Jonesboro, and no organization of any kind.

At my suggestion the ladies, few as they were, banded themselves together and commenced to work for money with which to build a chapel. Later they had the Rev. Mr. Rhames, then of Newport, come on and hold a Mission of a week. The result was the presentation of a large confirmation class, and the creation of much interest.

To make a long story short, we now have about thirty communicants at Mena, a fine Sunday School, and what is said to be a beautiful place of worship.

They were not able to build what they wanted in the way of a church, so, at my suggestion, they put up a commodious room of such dimensions that will enable it to be readily converted, by the running of partitions and the adding of a room or two, into a convenient and comfortable Rectory. All the furniture was made with reference to the permanent place of worship so that the transition will involve no loss of money. This plan of procedure is a wise one for many of our new organizations, and it forms a part of our missionary policy.

Our little constituency at Searcy took up with the Mena idea and so, at last, after more than thirty years of waiting, they, too, will soon be worshipping under their own "vine and fig tree." The Mena building, furnished and papered so that it will be a veritable little gate of heaven, will cost, all told, not to exceed \$1,000, and the same is true of the Searcy building.

THE BUILDING FUND.

In justice to the Arkansas Mission Chapel Building Fund, it should be stated that none of the purchasing and building projects mentioned above would have been undertaken but for it.

This statement in itself is sufficient to show the invaluable character of the fund, and I hope that it will induce all of our Parochial and Missionary organizations and many individuals throughout the Diocese to become subscribers. Blank pledges will be distributed by the Archdeacons. If you are a Clergyman take one for your congregation and Sunday School. If you are a Layman take one for yourself and several for your friends. If you are a Laywoman take one for your branch of the Woman's Auxilliary.

The valuation of the Church property of Arkansas has been increased by the several additions of which I have spoken at a low estimate of \$7,500. To secure these conditions and all the spiritual blessings for which they stand the fund has paid out, or will pay out, less than a third of their cost. You will see from this that those who want to help on in the glorious work of the extension of Christ's Kingdom in this vast almost wholly undeveloped Diocese will make no mistake by taking some stock in the Arkansas Mission Chapel Building Fund. Every dollar you give through it will not only add three dollars of property to the Diocese, but also contribute to secure the Prayer Book Services to our brethren in the Lord, who are without the precious privileges which we enjoy to the full extent of our desire.

PROGRESS AMONG THE SELF-SUPPORTING PARISHES.

We have so far been speaking of the progress made in the mission field. The advance in some of our self-supporting Parishes is equally gratifying. At the beginning of the year the situation and outlook at Fort Smith was far from satisfactory. When Archdeacon Williams came to us I concluded that no better use could be made of his services than to employ them to get poor St. John's out of the rut. How far he has accomplished the difficult task assigned to him will appear when I tell you that the congregation is now worshipping in the new church, upon which work had been stopped for many months, and regular services are being conducted by the Rev. Mr. Robertson, who, by the unanimous desire of all concerned, is to become the Rector as soon as he can be ordained to the Priesthood. The Easter collection was \$1,020, which was about \$250 in excess of the expense of getting into the new church.

At the beginning of the year the creditors of St. Luke's, Hot Springs, were threatening foreclosure proceedings to secure the payment of mortgage notes long overdue upon which not even the interest was being paid. As the result of Mr. Weed's and the Vestry's wise and energetic measures, all the interest has been met and about \$700 applied upon the principal.

The Easter offering of Christ Church, Little Rock, was nearly \$2,500, and the Parish is now practically rid of the large debt with which it has been burdened for many years. This Parish raised, for all purposes, within the year over \$11,000.

God be praised for all this, and much more progress of a less notable character that has taken place in nearly every Parish and Mission of the Diocese. If God will continue to bless our endeavors and we do not weary in well doing, we shall be a self-supporting Diocese by the expiration of the ten years for which I have asked help from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and from Parishes and individuals at the North and East.

A FEATURE OF OUR POLICY.

I want to make one feature of the missionary policy of the Bishop and Board of Managers so clear that there can be no mistake about it.

We do not propose to give any congregation very large or long continued appropriations. It would be wrong to do so, for two reasons: (1) the congregation and Clergymen concerned would be pauperized; (2) the resources at our disposal would be absorbed by a few favored people, to the neglect of the many isolated members of the Church scattered everywhere through the Diocese.

I gave notice almost immediately upon coming to the Diocese and at the last Council that after the first year all appropriations would be reduced at the rate of 20 per cent each year. The first reduction took effect on September 1, 1899. The next appropriation, which will be made on September 1, 1900, will be 20 per cent less. An appropriation of \$100 on September 1, 1898, would, according to our inflexible policy, be reduced to \$80 on September 1, 1899, to \$64 on September 1, 1900, to \$51 on September 1, 1901, to \$41 on September 1, 1902, and no appropriation would be made on September 1, 1903.

The Bishop and Board believe that the manifest justice, wisdom and necessity of their policy will commend it to all.

We recognize the possibility of very exceptional cases, where an appropriation should stand unreduced for a year or two, and accordingly the Board concedes the right of appeal to the Council on the part of the Missionary and congregation concerned. If the Council in any such rare instance recommends any departure from our policy we will, of course, be governed accordingly.

SPECIAL EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS.

It cannot be expected that our Missions will, in the course of five years, develop into self-supporting congregations without some special and systematic effort looking towards the accomplishment of this, from every point of view, most desirable result. Indeed, experience goes to show that without such effort the majority of our organizations in the mission field will not be able to stand alone in ten, or even twenty years, and many will never attain that degree of strength.

There is, therefore, simply no use of undertaking the comparatively easy work of organizing without going ahead with the much harder task of developing. The Bishop and his two Archdeacons have deliberately set out to organize five new Missions each year, and they have, with equal deliberation, determined to contribute a great deal of personal and other outside effort towards their development.

We think that it would be unreasonable in us to expect that the comparatively young and inexperienced men who are available for the mission field will, without a good deal of assistance from us and the prominent Clergymen of the Diocese or expert Missioners from abroad, be able to develop the feeble organizations which we establish into self-supporting congregations. Our policy, therefore, provides for the regular and systematic use of special efforts to increase the membership of all our organizations and to build them up in all the things which contribute to make exemplary, intelligent and zealous churchmen and churchwomen.

We call these efforts Missions. Some of our Clergy and Laity are a little suspicious of them because of their resemblance to the revival system which prevails so widely among our good Christian brethren of the various Protestant denominations. To such I would say that so far as the Bishop and the Archdeacon of Western Arkansas are concerned you need have no fear of us; for we were brought up outside of the Church and recognize more clearly than many of you can the objectional features of the old-timed revival and are not at all likely to make use of them; so you need have no concern whatsoever about us. It might be well, however, for you to keep a little watch over the Archdeacon of Eastern Arkansas, who is of Church parentage and training.

ARCHDEACON WEBBER.

One of the most successful and conservative of all our American Missioners is the Ven. Percy Clinton Webber, D. D., Archdeacon of Madison. It has been our good fortune to secure the services of this gifted and self-sacrificing man for two seasons, and I hope that he may continue to come to us annually. In 1899 he conducted Missions at Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock; St. John's, Helena; St. John's, Camden; St. Paul's, Batesville, and in 1900 at St. Luke's,

Hot Springs; St. John's, Fort Smith; Trinity, Van Buren; St. John's Helena; Trinity, Pine Bluff, and St. Paul's Fayetteville.

These Missions have in every case brought forth excellent fruit. I feel that the Bishop and Diocese of Arkansas are greatly indebted to the good Archdeacon for his powerful evangelistic efforts not only in our mission field, but in some of our largest Parishes.

MISS EMERY.

I take great pleasure in reporting to the Council that at my request Miss Julia C. Emery, General Secretary of the Woman's Auxilliary, made a trip of eight days through the Diocese. The first place visited was Fayetteville, which she reached on Saturday, October 28. The churches visited, in order, were St. Paul's, Fayetteville; St. John's, Fort Smith; Trinity, Van Buren; Christ Church, Little Rock; St. Luke's, Hot Springs; St. Paul's Batesville; St. Paul's Newport; Trinity, Pine Bluff; St. John's, Helena, and Good Shepherd, Forrest City. She was accompanied during all of this trip by myself and nearly all of it by our worthy Diocesan President of the Auxilliary.

The presence and addresses of this distinguished and able woman were everywhere an inspiration. She undoubtedly did us a great deal of good, not only by creating missionary enthusiasm, but by her kindly offices on our behalf at headquarters. Ever since her visit to us I have felt that the Diocese and Bishop of Arkansas had a powerful friend at court who could be relied upon for a good and influential word at all times when it is needed. Many of my appointments this winter at the North and East were secured by her. The Council owes her and Archdeacon Webber a vote of thanks.

PEACE.

I cannot close without a word of reference to the greatest of all the many causes for gratitude at this Council, namely, the peace which prevails among us. This is the one great good fortune without which the progress I have recounted would, to a great degree, have been impossible. That peacemaking resolution which was so chivalrously offered and supported at the conclusion of my address last year is the secret of it all. It was a noble inspiration and deed which not only brought tears of gratitude to the eyes of all present, but sent a thrill of joy through the whole American Church; and I have no doubt it was felt, as well, by the heavenly host and by Jesus, the Prince of Peace. That most exemplary action was much commented upon and greatly admired by the leading Clergymen and Laymen of the North and East whom I met this winter and went far towards securing the more than twice complete success of my mission, which otherwise would have been, at least comparatively, a failure. And I have no doubt it made soft and comfortable the deathbed of your departed Bishop, and prevented him from going down to the grave in sorrow. "Blessed are the peacemakers." It

is Eastertide. May the God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord, Jesus Christ, continue to bless this Diocese through the Episcopate upon which we have now entered, be it short or long, with His Peace. O, Lamb of God, Grant us Thy Peace! Amen, Amen!

APPENDIX III.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK.

BY REV. R. W. RHAMES.

Dear Bishop and Brethren of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Arkansas:

No one really acquainted with the situation can doubt that the work of the Church in this State is distinctly a missionary work. Although Arkansas was admitted as a State in 1836, and the Diocese was organized in . . . , the nature of the country and the historical vicissitudes of its people combined to greatly retard the growth of the Church, and to concentrate the progress that was made in the principal centers of wealth and influence. This is sufficient explanation for the strong Parishes at Little Rock, Helena, and Pine Bluff, and the solid foundations at Marianna, Forrest City, Batesville and Newport, compared with the almost utter lack of any other living organization in the whole field assigned me as the Archdeacon of Eastern Arkansas January 1, 1900.

When I began this work even the churches at Mammoth Spring and Brinkley were without services, and there were only three other clergymen in this field—Dr. Lockwood, of Helena, Rev. Mr. Kemp, of Marianna, and Rev. Merlinjones, of Morrilton. I do not say this field had been entirely neglected. Let me here pay a willing and loving tribute to the missionaries who have worked here before me, and whom many of you remember with a love and veneration which I shall hope to share some day. Eastern Arkansas is the oldest part of the State, and everywhere I go there are those who speak of the gentle Bishop Lay and the eloquent Bishop Pierce as their "Fathers in God," and some are even found who remember the Apostolic Bishop Freeman and the heroic Bishop Polk, as the tangible links which bind them to the "Glorious Company of the Apostles" and the "Noble Army of Martyrs" of ancient times. Neither do I forget that "goodly fellowship of the prophets," whose praise is sung in the *Te Deum* between the apostles and the martyrs and with whom we might mention such noble priests of the Church as Bruce and Trimble and Stout. These men, and many others, went up and down this land sowing the seed when there was little or no fruit to gather. I am permitted to glean some of the fruit of their sowing, and while I gather a few sheaves, I only ask that I may sow more seed for others' reaping by and by.

The time has come when the missionary work in Eastern Arkansas is both sowing and reaping. The whole field needs to be sown again. It needs to be sown with various seeds. It needs to be sown with the gospel seeds of salvation, with the seeds of repentance and faith and obedience. It needs to be sown with the seeds of church membership, infant baptism and adult baptism, the baptism of the Holy Spirit which makes one "a member of Christ, a child of God, and an inheritor of the Kingdom of Heaven." It needs to be sown with the seeds of church worship, which is acknowledged everywhere to be the restoration of liturgical services for the common people. It needs to be sown with the seeds of church unity, seeds of historic continuity in faith and practice, seeds which are gathered from the tree whose branches overshadow the nations. They are four-angled seeds. One side for the Bible, one side for the Two Sacraments, one side for the Ecumenical Creeds (not the Westminster Confession or the Thirty-nine Articles), and one side for the Historic Episcopate, and every side stamped with the eternal emblem of catholicity. These seeds are little solid cubes, but they have the germ of eternal life in them and they will grow in America and will produce in Arkansas a church that shall be free from the distinctive marks of England or Rome as national churches or of Calvin or Luther or Alex. Campbell as teachers of sectarian Protestantism—a real American church. This land needs to be sown with the seeds of a more cheerful, hopeful and comforting Christian philosophy than that which makes man totally depraved, his will useless and his destiny fixed by fate; which makes him the slave of an arbitrary master and robs him of any rest or peace between earth and heaven.

These seeds are the Word of God. These seeds have been too much regarded as the sowing of the Christian religion. These seeds are not the seeds of controversy, but of peace and righteousness. Neither are they the seeds of commercial value, but they are the seeds which grow the beauty and from which come the fruits which are the spiritual and satisfactory Christian experience of man. These seeds are not of one variety, giving a dull sameness to the landscape, but a variety of seeds which God has sown in the soil of the cultivated fields of human life. Sowing the seed was the farmer's work, and so we are sowing the seed of the Christian religion.

For the land is sown with a good seed and such a variety of seeds that the climate will grow a multitude where the work is done, and the seed will grow in some of them. My first visit to the State was in the November of 1890. I had some knowledge of the State and of the people of the State. My first work was in the State of Arkansas. It was determined to build a mission in the State of Arkansas. The territory when the mission was first built in the State of Arkansas will be located at the intersection of the main street and the best streets in town. It will be the mission of the State of Arkansas. The

furniture will be of the best quality and of proper size for the future church. The contract calls for the completion of the chapel on May 10, and the Bishop will hold the first service on Ascension Day. Searcy Chapel should have regular services at once. The church people there are faithful and zealous. The town is important from a business, educational and residence standpoint, and not only on its own account, but on account of several other places near by, I hope Searcy will be made the residence center of a missionary.

Not far from Searcy is the old town of Augusta, where I first went to visit a sick person. At this visit I quite accidentally met a few young ladies who had been recently converted at a revival, but did not feel satisfied to join any church in town. Two of them were shortly confirmed and the others will be at the Bishop's next visit. It may be interesting to this congregation to know that the only relic of the early church work done at Augusta is the old Bible presented by one Dr. Harmon to Christ Church, Little Rock, in 1841, and afterwards given to the mission at Augusta. The old Bible is kept safely by the Fitzhughs and will soon be opened again for the church's lessons.

One of my first trips as Archdeacon was to go up the Iron Mountain Railroad as far as Walnut Ridge. I had met certain church people who lived at Swifton, Alicia, and Clover Bend. I visited them and passed on to Walnut Ridge for Sunday. Since then I have repeated these visits twice, and also visited Pocahontas, Black Rock and Imboden. The result is that there will soon be a class confirmed at Walnut Ridge and Pocahontas, and a lot is already secured at Imboden and Black Rock. Clover Bend is the home of Miss Alice French, whose *nom de plume* is Octave Thanet, and Mrs. J. A. Crawford and Colonel Tucker, all of whom are joint owners of the original Walnut Grove Plantation and many other broad acres. The refinement, culture and hospitality of "Thanford," as Miss French's home is called, would be an adornment to any community, and its influence is not only felt by the passing guest but is a continual benediction to the people of the neighborhood. It is a Christian mission.

St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring, deserves to be mentioned by itself. There is a pretty church and neat little five room rectory in this picturesque town, which takes its name from the great spring on which it is located. This spring is the head of a rushing crystal stream nearly as wide at its source as at its mouth, 50 miles away. The church had been closed for about two years, except when a Missouri Bishop chanced to cross the line, or our own Bishop made his annual visitation. I arranged to hold a mission here the last week in January. I wanted to redeem the time that had been lost by holding as many services as possible. I wanted to warm up the lukewarm members and adherents to the church. There was a good attendance. Seven names were enrolled for confirmation, and I baptized one infant and administered Holy Communion four times. Since then I have held monthly services on one Sunday in the month,

and now the church is in charge of the Rev. E. A. Neville, rector of West Plains, Mo., and Thayer, Mo., who gives one Sunday a month to Mammoth Spring.

From the far north I turn to the distant southeast corner of the State. Letters came to me immediately upon my appointment as Archdeacon, asking me to come and hold services at Arkansas City, Monticello, and Lakeport. I have only been able to go to the first two places. Both these places are anxious to build churches. Arkansas City seems likely to accomplish this first. I already hold a subscription for \$500 for the building, and a formal application for the aid of an organized Mission, with a pledge for \$250 per annum for services. Monticello has \$500 in bank for a church. But not having a lot, thinks it wise to defer building for the present. A natural woman, the daughter of Rev. Mr. Trimble, Sr., keeps up a regular Sunday school which, besides doing the spiritual training that is everywhere necessary to make good church members, has a fund of its own for church furniture. The old Parishes at Lake Village and Thomas should be united with these places. This corner of the State would then form one of the most interesting and progressive fields in Eastern Arkansas.

From the southeast where I ask you to follow me to the north-
east corner. The location of a church at Jonesboro, which is to be
consecrated on Thursday, June 11, is one of the best results of the
past year. Jonesboro is the largest city in northeast Arkansas. It
is a rich coal area, the iron mines here and will be a desirable resi-
dence for a large number of persons. The community of Paragould, Cor-
vallis, Arkansas and Nevada. A mission for Amosden Webb
was planned for Jonesboro. It began on Sunday April 22. I gave
many services. The preparation for the mission and the work-
ing of it was very good. The situation pre-
sented the coming of the present and the good results we hoped to
have. But the work is only temporarily delayed. The
good results of the mission and the preparation for it suggest
a new plan for the future and we will have more charge of the Jonesboro
mission in 1914.

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list. And not only our scattered members shall receive attention, but we shall preach the gospel everywhere—sow the seed beside all waters—fulfilling the responsibilities of the Church to the people of Arkansas, following faithfully the direction of the Bishop: “No place too small, and no people too poor to receive the attention of the Church of God.”

And so the nature of the work and the vastness of the field makes one's heart swell with enthusiasm. The Bishop is leading in this great work. The clergy are working and working. The laity are praying and giving. The people of Arkansas are quick to respond to the call of duty which is made by the work itself, and to the call of home pride which is made by the generous appropriations made by the General Board of Missions. It is a grand thing to expend \$9,000 on the missionary work of the State, and I sincerely hope that the successful raising of this sum this year will prompt every one to give liberally to Diocesan Missions. But while we rejoice that this sum is secured this year let us not forget that it has taken our Bishop away from our Diocese for four months. I appeal for the Bishop's time in his own Diocese. I appeal for the generous support of Arkansas Missions by the people of Arkansas. I appeal to the wealthy people to give liberally, to give through their Parishes, to give individually to all the Diocesan funds, and especially to the funds for the extension of the Church in this State. I always appeal for this work of Diocesan Missions. I ask for an offering at every service and it is due to the missionary places to say that I have paid the treasurer of our Diocesan Board of Managers from such offerings taken in the past four months \$135.87, and secured yearly pledges for 1900 on the Church Extension Society Plan of \$124.64, \$26.50 of which has been paid, making \$151.34 actually collected up to date. This sum has been principally given by 121 church people scattered as follows: Searcy, 12; Augusta, 5; Mammoth Spring, 20; Imboden, 1; Brinkley, 20; Bradford, 1; Alicia, 1; Clover Bend, 2; Clarendon, 7; Monticello, 10; Morrilton, 12; Walnut Ridge, 3; Pocahontas, 3; Jonesboro, 17; Paragould, 9; Wynne, 8; Black Rock, 2, and Arkansas City, 15. Besides this, Searcy, Brinkley, Mammoth Spring, Jonesboro, and Monticello have made their own subscriptions on the Church Extension Society Plan. This plainly shows that the church people in the missionary field are doing something to help themselves.

But, brethren, I firmly believe that it is the wrong idea of missionary work to estimate it by the amount of money collected or the churches or rectories that are built. Money and buildings are only means to the great end of winning souls to Christ and bringing people into the church. This is the higher and distinctive duty of the clergy, from the Bishop down. Eastern Arkansas has six clergymen now, instead of four, while all the rest live and work in western Arkansas. But I am happy to say there are places for three new men about now, one at Searcy, one at Lake Village, and the other

at Jonesboro. These are the centers of the Central, the Northeastern and Southeastern circuits. Newport and Batesville are the natural centers for two other circuits. Morrilton and Conway represent still another, and this will leave only a few counties in the extreme northwest to be investigated, organized, and built up. This is the unknown land now, but remember, it lies in the direction of future development, for which I ask your alms and your prayers.

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK.

BY VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.

"Westward the Star of Empire takes its way."

General missionary work was entered upon January 1 of the current year. The territory represented is designated as Western Arkansas, with headquarters at Little Rock. The principal points, near the eastern line of this Archdeaconry, are Eureka Springs, Harrison, Little Rock, and Pine Bluff; and everything west and within the State—thirty-seven counties. There are reported to be twelve Parishes and five Missions within this district. To these may be added seven preaching stations.

We have labored daily since entering upon the work, and have preached seventy-one times, delivered many addresses, addressed three country district schools in school hours, and the Fort Smith High School on subjects relating to secular education. We have made over three hundred house to house pastoral calls. We have baptized twenty-one persons—four of whom were adults—two of the latter being men, railroad men, one 30 years of age, and the other 40, both heads of families. Of these persons baptized, one of the men resides where no services of the Church had been held prior to ours, and another, a young girl, was baptized at a village where no service of our Church had ever been conducted within the county. We have celebrated Holy Communion fourteen times. We have traveled, within western Arkansas, about 2,500 miles, and visited seventeen different places, conducting one or more services in all but two of the places visited. We have received, as offerings or otherwise, \$75.25. Besides conducting services and preaching in our church buildings, we have, through the kindness of Christian friends, conducted similar services in Advent, Christian, Congregational, Methodist and Union churches, and in schoolhouses. The uniform courtesy of brethren of various denominations is pleasant to mention; and their kindness is the more manifest since it has always been extended with the positive understanding that ministrations in their meeting houses would be after the order of the Protestant Episcopal Church. We

are strongly inclined to believe that the Church is here to solve the problems of differences. We shall do this not by evading them, but by interpreting them; and by emphasizing agreements. The pleasant path of success lies not so much in ignoring or disguising obstructions, but in finding within the highway a way around them.

We have visited Fort Smith, Dora, Van Buren, Winslow, Fayetteville, Siloam Springs, Mena, Winthrop, Rocky Comfort, Foreman, Texarkana, Prescott, Mansfield, Booneville, Magazine, Mount Magazine, Paris, Charleston, Dardanelle, and Russellville. At all of these, save two, we have held services. At two new towns we were the first to arrange, definitely, to hold religious services. Except a marriage service many years ago by the Rev. Mr. Sandels, an honored priest of the Church, the services by your Archdeacon were the first of the Church within Franklin County; and our services at Paris were the first ever held in Logan County.

The Western Archdeaconry has been greatly blessed by the inspirational labors of Archdeacon Webber. He brought blessings to Fort Smith and Van Buren, and the blessings remain.

Fort Smith is our largest city. The church there now worships in a splendid edifice of stone, and is our strongest constituency in Western Arkansas. But, without specifying each place, we may group them into places that should be strengthened; places where work should be renewed, and places where work should be instituted.

1. *Places that should be strengthened.* In a certain sense this may apply to *all* places; but we have in mind Parishes, or Missions, or preaching stations where the Church or the work seems to languish. There is life there, healthful, helpful, spiritual life, but it is not "*abundant* life." Without this abundant life the work is arrested in its progress and development. All the gold of Ophir piled in a desert would be of no more value to its owner than so much chalk or sand unless it could be used in promoting the fruits of labor and the betterment of humanity. And the gifts and treasures of the Church used and distributed in every part of western Arkansas would be worthless without the "*abundant life*" of a constantly constructive church. The Church is in Arkansas not only to prepare men to go out of it some day to Paradise, but to serve Christ here and now.

The future of the Christianity of the Arkansas people will depend very largely upon the Episcopal Church. It is the religion of the old British Church which converted the pagan Saxon. It is the religion of the larger part of the Anglo-Saxon race of to-day. It has steadied the rising greatness of the British Empire again and again. Its staying qualities have strengthened our Republic more than multitudes know. And it is the regnant religious power of the two greatest cities of the globe. Why, then, not strengthen the things that remain within our Diocese, and make the power that has a right to be dominant, the leading spiritual force among our people?

We measure the speed of the steamboat by the strength of the stream against which it moves. Our Church has strong and unkindly currents challenging her progress, but they were colder and stronger in other days. The Church's latitude of thought, inclusiveness of fellowship and wealth of liturgy are coming to be better understood. That there still exists an open or disguised prejudice against the Church is neither to be denied nor to be wondered at. But much of it is not so deep as it is noisy, nor as dark as it is chilly—it is the result of *hearsay* not of *nearstay*; it is the product of the tongue, not of the heart. Your servant accepts the uniform kindness to him as a kindness to the Church, and passes over to her Divinely appointed ministry compliments that the preaching is like that of the leading denominations, according to the proclivities of the conversationalist. A living church is a growing church, and a growing church is a working church.

Perhaps you will suffer me to refer to St. John's, Fort Smith, as illustrating what I have preached. When our Diocesan sent me there the situation was not attractive. Out of a large and splendid constituency only a few frequented the House of Prayer. The duty was plainly to strengthen the things that remained, and to remain with them until a minister should come and lead them on. From a mere handful they increased to respectable numbers, and from worshipping in a building dingy and ancient, they entered on Easter Day into the new church, and presented to the Lord of Life a gift of over a thousand dollars. The everlasting reality of religion can best be interpreted by the ever enduring church moving forward as an army with banners. Fort Smith will probably present to the Bishop for confirmation, at his next visitation, twenty-five or thirty souls. Fort Smith is a strategic point. A strong position there commands attention. Ends achieved justify the time employed.

2. *Places where work should be renewed.* I will mention two places in particular. Prescott is a county seat, and has a population of over 2,500. Our church building there is located in a central situation, in the midst of an enterprising people. But, alas, what was once a holy place, is said to be a nightly resort for nameless unregenerates. The edifice is dilapidated, the windows paneless, the Bethel of former times is a by-word and a hissing—and deservedly so. It is mutilated within, and desecrated without. We spent two days there and after a careful examination came to the conclusion that it will be well for the church in Prescott, as a Mission station, to renew its work. It is said, however, that there are no church people there. That may be so. But we have the building there. What shall we do with it?

Every hive should have a swarm of bees. An empty hive is an opportunity to collect a swarm of bees. If there are no aged bees, then let us get young bees. Beloved, in many parts, people are weary of denominational methods. The cry for something new is giving way to the soulhunger for something true. Zealous guardian-

ship over the pleasures and pastimes of young men and women, a progressive generation is inclined to resent. Censorship and dictation as to nonessential doctrine and innocent amusements are properly regarded as arbitrary assumption. Godly young people are claiming the Scripture right to say, "To the pure all things are pure."

Dardanelle, with a rectory no longer habitable, and a church with its altar removed and its communion rail cast aside, appears, at first sight, churchless and hopeless. Rectory and church have been rented or vacant by turns, for about ten years—the former to transients, the latter to "Christians." Our services there last Sunday were the first and only church services in about ten years. They were well attended, although there is scarcely a remnant left of the shepherdless flock. Oh, the desolation! and in a town of 2,500 souls! I am convinced, however, that there is a possible and legitimate constituency for the Church in Dardanelle. *The hive is there*; it is *empty*. If the swarm of a score of years ago is scattered beyond the sound of the welcome, or will not return, then why not say, "Who-soever will, may come."

3. *The places where work should be instituted.* There are several such. I will only mention two—Booneville and Magazine. Both are in Logan County. They are on the Choctaw Railroad. We have held services at both places. We have a Guild in Booneville, and probably one in Magazine by this time. There are earnest children of the Church in both places—no church nearer than Fort Smith, sixty miles away. They need the Church. The Church has discovered her children.

We have secured the sure promise of lots at Booneville, Magazine, Mount Magazine, and Foreman. Shall these faithful souls have chapels? Small, neat, attractive places of worship?

These are bees *WITHOUT* a *hive*. Bees cannot gather honey without a hive. Every swarm of bees should have a hive. Let us say, Every Guild of earnest souls shall have a chapel.

Next year, God willing, and with your prayers and your co-operation, the Archdeaconry of Western Arkansas will endeavor to show great things for Christ and His Kingdom. Every effort to establish the Church is something done for the betterment of the State. Let the zephyrs stir our virgin pines along the heights of land in our western counties to softest music. Let the spring-fed streams soothe the traveler and bless the husbandman. Let our sparkling lakes reflect in their dimples moon and stars to the glory of God; but let the Church, by the Holy Ghost, regenerate human hearts to mirror forth in human lives the Son of God. Let streams of influence fertilize society with truth and grace, and produce in our whole commonwealth hymns of praise like unto the songs of the angels. And the kingdom shall come.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Managers of Diocesan Missions met in Little Rock, in Bishop Brown's study, at 4 p. m., Tuesday, May 1, 1900.

In order to avoid a lengthy and tiresome recount of the actions of the Board for the past ecclesiastical year, I, acting as its secretary, take the liberty of abridging the same, endeavoring to present all the salient and important points connected with said Board's acts.

The personnel of the Board is as follows, and were generally present at all the meetings: The Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas; Revs. C. H. Lockwood, G. Gordon Smeade, and Walter D. Buckner, its clerical, and Messrs. A. F. Adams, John Gatling and N. B. Trulock, its lay members.

Bishop Brown, its president, always opened every meeting with an earnest invocation to the Supreme Being, beseeching Him to guide and direct the Board in all deliberations to the furtherance of Christ's kingdom here on earth.

All minutes of previous meetings were read and approved of.

At a Board meeting in November last, the following resolutions were ordered spread upon the records and a copy of same to be sent to the bereaved family:

At the last meeting of our Board of Managers for Diocesan Missions, the aged and beloved Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., LL. D., presided over the deliberations of the Board.

To-day the Board meets without him; for on the 5th day of September, at Fayetteville, Ark., he was called to "The Rest that remaineth for the people of God."

In the death of the late Bishop of Arkansas, the Board of Managers for the Diocesan Missions mourns the loss of a wise and faithful leader, and every member of the Board feels that he has lost a warm personal friend.

To each member of his family left to mourn his loss, the Board extends tenderest sympathy and condolence—

"The golden evening brightens in the West,
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes the rest;
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the Blessed."

"Alleluia."

At the same meeting the Board adopted the following:

Resolved, That our profound acknowledgment and grateful thanks are hereby rendered to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for the substantial aid to the missionary necessities of the Diocese through their recent liberal appropriations of \$4,500 to meet the expenses of General Missionaries.

No similar succor could have been more necessary, more timely, or better appreciated.

The field is a broad one, the demands most urgent, and nothing could have been better warranted or more judicious than this bountiful provision.

For this beneficent contribution, may the society ever be blessed by the Lord of the Harvest.

Mr. A. F. Adams (the treasurer of the Board) presented statements of all receipts and disbursements which were on file, showing our present financial status to be:

Cash on hand November 7, 1899.....	\$ 593.72
Receipts	2,281.44
Total	<u>\$2,875.16</u>
Disbursements	<u>1,833.20</u>
Balance on hand May 4, 1900.....	\$1,041.96

Bishop Brown gave a detailed statement of his work during his vacation, and made the glad announcement that he had secured \$4,500; conditional that our Diocese raise an equal amount additional.

He furthermore spent several months East during the winter and spring, laboring under vast difficulties and disadvantages in securing the sum which he had pledged the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society during his vacation.

A committee of three, including the Bishop, was appointed to formulate a subscription book in order to carry on the work which the Board outlined as necessary in order to consummate the work in the Diocese.

Mr. N. B. Trulock offered the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted by the Board:

We, the members of the Board of Managers of Diocesan Missions for Arkansas, do hereby place on record our unqualified appreciation of the work of our Diocesan, Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas, in securing a large increase of funds from the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Board, as well as his zeal in raising large sums of money for the advancement, establishment and maintenance of new fields of labor for the spread of the gospel of Christ; thereby instituting and inculcating the Savior's injunction to "go ye out into the highways and byways, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled;" therefore,

Resolved, That we, the members of said Board, do hereby acknowledge our Bishop's unselfish labor of love in the cause of Christ, and do unanimously beseech and admonish all persons in the Diocese to do all in their power to further said Church's extension, remembering that the widow that cast her mite into the treasury received His blessing, clearly showing that WILL to do His service is more essential in the sight of God than large amounts grudgingly bestowed by more able persons; therefore be it further

EXPENDITURES.

1899 to date—By loans made and in force—

By R. M. Fitzpatrick (two).....	\$ 100.00	
By Miles Place	250.00	
By W. H. Stone & Co.....	50.00	
By G. W. Willey.....	3,500.00	
By N. Straub Sons.....	3,000.00	
By R. H. Word.....	100.00	
By J. N. Bookhart.....	75.00	
By S. B. Carpenter & Bro.....	317.00	
By W. Kennedy.....	460.00	
By J. Goodman (six).....	34.00	
By G. E. Essertier & Co.....	300.00	
By G. W. & H. A. Swantz (three).....	1,000.00	\$ 9,286.00

Payments made on B. & L. stock each month—

By Home Mutual, Series No. 2.....	\$ 48.35	
By Home Mutual, Series No. 3.....	222.00	
By Home Mutual, Series No. 5.....	60.00	
By People's, Series No. 2.....	120.00	450.35

Bishop Brown's salary—

By P. K. Roots, Treasurer.....	\$ 400.00	
By P. K. Roots, Treasurer.....	520.00	920.00

Pine Bluff Property—

By vouchers for repairs, insurance, taxes, water, etc., 1 to 18.....	\$ 99.45	99.45
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By cash on hand.....		1,406.24
		\$12,162.04

PRESENT VALUE OF FUND.

Building and Loan Stock.	Amount.	Paid in.	Present Value
Home Mutual, Series No. 3.....	\$3,700.00	\$1,658.98	\$ 2,009.50
Home Mutual, Series No. 5.....	1,000.00	230.75	255.10
People's, Series No. 2.....	2,000.00	770.05	892.50

Bills Receivable.	Face.	Accrued Interest.	
R. M. Fitzpatrick	\$ 100.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 112.00
Miles Place	350.00	15.75	365.75
W. H. Stone & Co.....	50.00	.....	50.00
G. W. Willey	3,500.00	4.30	3,504.30
Straub Sons	3,000.00	49.35	3,049.35
R. H. Word.....	100.00	4.20	104.20
J. N. Bookhart	75.00	1.70	76.70
Carpenter Bros.	317.00	8.00	325.00
W. Kennedy	460.00	14.00	474.00
J. Goodman	524.00	55.00	579.00
G. E. Essertier & Co.....	300.00	1.00	301.00
G. W. & H. A. Swantz.....	1,000.00	4.00	1,004.00
New Light Baptist Church.....	1,000.00	145.00	1,145.00
W. N. & S. Straub.....	400.00	53.46	453.46
Diocese of Arkansas.....	300.00	59.66	359.66

Pine Bluff property—	
Valuation as formerly reported..	3,936.00
Cash on hand	1,406.24
Present value of fund.....	\$20,402.76
Value at last report.....	20,099.96
Net increase	\$ 302.80

During last year a flaw was discovered in our title to the cottages bequeathed to the fund during Rev. Adams's incumbency in Pine Bluff. Upon the advise I wrote to Mr. J. B. Trulock to take such action as he deemed necessary and the cost would be paid by us. He then consulted Messrs. Austin & Taylor, attorneys, who kindly advised him and prepared necessary payments and extended us many courtesies. For this assistance no charge has been made, and the Council should make proper recognition of the service in some way. Also to M. Danhauser for assisting in preparing papers and to Mr. J. B. Trulock for the many acts of thoughtfulness on his part for the good of the fund, while looking after and collecting rents, etc., without any cost to the fund. I am glad to say that the necessary steps were taken for the protection of the interest of the fund, and that proper deeds were made, and the title is now perfected, and deeds are in my possession. The amount of cost for preparing of court papers and recording same is \$16.60, and an appropriation for same is asked for.

I am glad to report that the fund is growing some little but as my report is in detail, comment is not necessary and you can form your own conclusion.

Truly yours,

S. S. FAULKNER,

Trustee Permanent Episcopate Fund.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

DIOCESAN FUND.

Balance on hand at last report, May 5, 1899.....\$272.23

RECEIPTS.

St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.....	5.00
Grace Church, Washington.....	5.00
St. John's, Camden.....	10.00
Good Shepherd, Forrest City	10.00
St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	15.00
St. Mark's, Hope.....	15.00
Trinity Church, Van Buren (bal. last year \$5, this year \$15).	20.00
St. Paul's Batesville.....	20.00

St. Paul's, Newport.....	20.00
Trinity Cathedral	30.00
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.....	30.00
Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	45.00
St. John's, Fort Smith	50.00
St. John's, Helena.....	60.00
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	115.00
J. M. Daggett, Secretary	3.00
Total	\$725.23

DISBURSEMENTS.

Gazette, for publishing Bishop Brown's address....\$	9.75	
Arkansas Democrat, publishing Journals.....	199.55	
Secretary Daggett, sending out Journals.....	19.95	
Telegrams, Bishop Pierce's funeral.....	7.55	
Capital Hotel—Entertainment, Bishop Pierce's funeral	12.75	
1900.		
January 24—Standing Committee (expenses).....	8.55	
Postage	3.00	
Zach Hurt, janitor	5.00	
J. M. Daggett, Secretary	75.00	341.10
Balance on hand	\$	384.13

APPENDIX VIII.

FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

Balance on hand at last report, May 5, 1899.....\$	98.02
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RECEIPTS.

St. Thomas's, Wynne	.75
St. Luke's, Brinkley.....	2.80
St. Paul's, Newport.....	3.50
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	3.55
St. Paul's, Batesville.....	5.95
St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	10.50
Interest on paid-up stock building association.....	30.00
Helena	13.86
Total	\$ 168.93

DISBURSEMENTS.

Twelve monthly payments to building association.....\$	62.00
Cash balance on hand	\$ 106.93

Paid in on installment, building association stock.....	341.75
Present worth paid-up building association stock.....	600.00

Total amount of fund.....\$1,048.68

The building association having given notice that they will not carry the paid-up stock any longer on interest, I earnestly ask the advice or instruction of the Council as to how this \$600 should be reinvested.

APPENDIX IX.

BISHOP'S SALARY FUND.

Balance on hand at last report, May 5, 1899.....\$ 112.20

RECEIPTS.

From S. S. Faulkner, Trustee Episcopate Fund.....	920.00
From St. Philip's, Little Rock	4.00
From Wm. C. Rodgers, Nashville.....	5.00
From St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.....	5.00
From St. James's, Eureka Springs.....	10.00
From St. Luke's, Brinkley	10.00
From Trinity Church, Van Buren.....	15.00
From St. Mark's, Hope.....	19.00
From St. Paul's, Newport.....	26.00
From St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	28.00
From Trinity Cathedral.....	39.50
From St. John's, Camden (extra \$50 paid last year and ordered by Council credited for this year's payment.....	50.00
From St. Paul's, Batesville.....	56.40
From Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	100.00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	113.00
From St. John's, Fort Smith.....	159.00
From St. John's, Helena.....	160.00

Total\$1,832.10

DISBURSEMENTS.

1899.

Extra payment of last year refunded to St. John's, Camden, by order of Council	\$ 50.00
August 31.—To Bishop Brown	500.00
December 30.—To Bishop Brown.....	750.00

1900.

May 3.—To Bishop Brown	500.00	1,800.00
Balance on hand		\$ 32.10

SUMMARY OF THIS FUND SINCE JUNE 24, 1898.

From Parishes and Missions first year.....	\$ 562.20	
From Parishes and Missions second year.....	799.90	1,362.10
From Trustee Episcopate Fund first year.....	500.00	
From Trustee Episcopate Fund second year.....	920.00	1,420.00
Total		\$2,782.10
Total amount paid Bishop Brown		2,750.00
Leaving cash on hand, as above.....		\$ 32.10
Respectfully submitted,		
		P. K. ROOTS,
May 5, 1900.		Treasurer.

APPENDIX X.

REPORT OF TREASURER, BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS,
FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 4, 1900.

Balance on hand May 3, 1899.....\$ 670.41

RECEIPTS.

1899.

June 19.—Mr. Fred Sapp, Brinkley	5.00
June 19.—St. John's, Fort Smith.....	10.45
July 24.—St. Paul's, Newport	2.85
August 7.—St. John's, Camden	4.50
October 2.—St. John's, Fort Smith	11.05
November 7.—St. John's, Camden	5.25
November 9.—St. Paul's, Newport	5.52
December 4.—Atkins (Rev. Merlin Jones)	1.07
December 5.—St. John's, Fort Smith	15.55
December 7.—St. Paul's, Newport	3.00
December 19.—Christ Church, Eureka Springs.....	6.00
December 19.—Christ Church, Little Rock.....	25.35
January 4.—Lake Village	5.00
January 5.—Trinity Church, Van Buren.....	4.00
January 29.—St. John's, Fort Smith.....	7.50
February 2.—Trinity Church, Van Buren.....	3.70
February 6.—Trinity Mission, Searcy.....	1.00
February 9.—Mr. Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.....	3.00
March 12.—St. Paul's, Batesville	16.81
March 30.—St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	5.55
March 30.—Forrest City	3.03
March 30.—Trinity Church, Van Buren	4.00
March 30.—Trinity Mission, Searcy	1.00
April 7.—St. John's, Fort Smith.....	23.18
April 13.—Wynne (Rev. Mr. Kemp).....	3.60

April 23.—St. John's, Camden	15.45
April 23.—St. Paul's, Newport	14.80
April 23.—St. John's, Helena	110.18
April 24.—Hope (Rev. Mr. Damer).....	13.61
April 24.—Jonesboro	5.35
April 30.—St. John's, Fort Smith.....	8.70
April 30.—Trinity Church, Van Buren.....	8.00
May 4.—Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	67.80
May 4.—St. Paul's, Newport	4.50
May 4.—Christ Church, Little Rock.....	175.25
May 4.—Christ Church, Babies' Branch Woman's Auxiliary.	11.02
May —.—Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	26.70
May —.—Trinity Cathedral Sunday School, Little Rock...	43.05

Total from State and on hand.....\$1,352.45

From Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society—

June 6.....	\$ 475.00	
September 9.....	475.00	
December 2... ..	478.00	
March 12... ..	1,225.00	2,653.00
Total		\$4,005.45

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Rev. R. S. James.....	\$ 91.25	
To Rev. J. J. Vaulx.....	237.50	
To Rev. D. B. Ramsey.....	237.50	
To Rev. A. W. Pierce.....	75.00	
To Rev. I. P. Daniels.....	300.00	
To Rev. R. W. Rhames.....	275.00	
To Rev. R. W. Rhames, Archdeacon.....	412.50	
To Rev. I. M. Merlino Jones.....	175.00	
To Rev. G. W. Flowers.....	13.89	
To Rev. C. B. K. Weed.....	150.00	
To Rev. E. L. Kemp.....	125.00	
To Rev. J. B. Whaling.....	50.00	
To Rev. C. H. Lockwood (expenses).....	14.40	
To Rev. W. D. Buckner (expenses).....	4.50	
To Mr. N. B. Trulock (expenses).....	2.50	
To Mr. John Gatling (expenses).....	13.00	
To Rev. C. B. K. Weed (expenses).....	7.25	
To Arkansas Democrat (printing bill).....	6.00	
To Rt. Rev. Bishop Wm. Brown.....	3.40	
To Archdeacon W. D. Williams, D. D.....	412.50	
For Stamps.....	.95	\$2,893.74

Balance in hands of Treasurer May 4.....\$1,111.71

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. ADAMS,

Treasurer of Board.

APPENDIX XI.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

We find the following named Parishes are delinquent:

St. James's, Eureka Springs, 2*	\$ 7.00
St. Paul's, Fayetteville, \$30.	30.00
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.	30.00
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.	5.00
St. Agnes's, Morrilton, \$5.	5.00
Redeemer, Nashville, \$3.	5.00
St. Philip's, Little Rock.	5.00

Assessment for the ensuing year—

St. Paul's, Batesville	\$ 20.00
St. John's, Camden.	12.00
St. James's, Eureka Springs.	7.00
St. John's, Helena	50.00
St. Paul's, Fayetteville	30.00
St. Mark's, Hope.	15.00
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.	30.00
St. John's, Fort Smith.	50.00
Christ Church, Little Rock.	115.00
Trinity, Little Rock.	30.00
St. Andrew's, Marianna.	15.00
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.	5.00
St. Agnes's, Morrilton	5.00
Redeemer, Nashville	5.00
St. Paul's, Newport.	12.00
Trinity, Pine Bluff.	45.00
Trinity, Van Buren.	15.00
Grace, Washington	5.00
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.	10.00
St. Philip's, Little Rock	5.00

\$481.00

REV. W. D. BUCKNER,
S. S. FAULKNER,
G. G. LATTA,

Committee.

*Remitted by Council.

APPENDIX XII.

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

To the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

This is the first time in two years that I have had the pleasure of addressing you at an annual meeting. Through the courtesy of my co-workers, I have retained my enviable position, therefore an account of my stewardship is doubly binding. I am sure I but voice the sentiment of every woman present when I say how happy we are to meet together once more. The year just past has been fraught with many changes, one of which has shadowed our hearts with a great sorrow, since it chronicles the departure to the Land of Paradise the Blest, our dear Venerable Bishop, who for so many years has gently and lovingly guided us. With his gigantic intellect he should have been a power among men. We know now that in that land where there are no misconceptions, no misunderstandings, everything is as it should be in the clear celestial light, and our spiritual father and friend is forever robed in the garments of the eternal priesthood. I am thankful to say that progress has been our watchword for the year, and our report will show the gain. I had the privilege last fall of making visits to a number of our Parishes in the excellent instructive company of our general secretary, Miss Emery, and our incomparably true, helpful, and beloved Bishop Brown. In the six Parishes we visited, we found the Woman's Auxiliary in a formative period, but anxiously awaiting instruction in the work they without exception were willing to undertake. I need not tell you they were nearly all weak and poor, for that would only be a repetition of that with which we are familiar in this Diocese. The laborers seemed ready, for from all sides came the question, "What must we do and how must we do?" The branches in these places have all responded nobly during the Lenten time. Some Parishes, I am sorry to say, I was unable to visit—Fayetteville, Fort Smith, Van Buren and Forrest City. From Fayetteville I have heard nothing, neither Fort Smith. Van Buren I know has been working heroically to build a rectory. Forrest City with its handful of zealous women sent a most judiciously selected box to a Mission station in Oklahoma. Batesville has done fine work, but I must not trespass upon the work of our secretary, Mrs. Cantrell. She may have heard from the Parishes which have not communicated with me. Our women are awakening to the needs of the hour, and arraying themselves on the side where they belong by right of their baptismal vows. Our Bishop is working so laboriously, so unselfishly to place us where we should be for other than alphabetical reasons. Shall we not try to help hold up his hands? Shall we not give as well as receive? The gospel must be preached to every creature. God has not yet accomplished the number of the

elect. So let us forget the things that are behind and reach forward. There are ever open doors standing ready to enter, ever new voices calling "Come and help us." New mission fields are opening up, Cuba, Porto Rico, the Sandwich Islands, the Philippines. Our work was never more pressing. Can we with complacency fold our hands and look back upon a past which is too restricted and barren of events to dwell upon? Neither have we reached a resting place. We all understand there is no vacation for the Christian, his is a work-a-day world. Are we exercising ourselves sufficiently to grow stronger? Are we improving all the time in our work? Are we realizing the promises of our new birth? What is the good of belonging to a missionary society at all if we do not give and keep on giving? That is our reason for being and it seems to me if we would just make up our minds to it, we would be saved a great amount of trouble. All we would have to do would be to arrange with ourselves for setting apart a certain amount, be it much or little; a weekly laying aside is probably the best, and let us learn to be content with giving proportionately to what we have (if we do it conscientiously), then if we cannot give as much as our neighbor, not worry because we have not his larger means, for a man is judged "according to what he hath and not according to what he hath not." It is very difficult to lay down a rule for all Parishes, because conditions differ in localities. I have been approached by one branch to ask if an aid society or guild and the Auxilliary cannot be one and the same. I think not. While the aid might and does have a specific work, still it is not the same nature as the Auxilliary. For instance, the "Daughters of the King" are eligible for membership according to my ideas, because the work is charitable and missionary in spirit. So while I give all honor and praise to women who work and pay off their church debt, and carpet their church floor, that is individual benefit; it does not go beyond the home bounds. "Depart ye, be warmed, clothed and fed," our Lord did not give us as a precedent, but as a warning. We know that in much of our local work in Parishes and in Mission stations, the burden largely rests upon the women. This is not strange, as women have been the inspiration in many material, moral and religious efforts. Neither must we weary in well doing, for as our interest waxes stronger in religion and missions, our husbands, brothers and sons seeing our earnestness, will become inoculated with the same. An Eastern divine once asserted that "there are no women in heaven, and that woman when she dies, returns to her original state, namely, a rib." I think if a careful look is given in some of our churches, it will be noted how few angels and how many ribs are there found. That man certainly never worked in a missionary field, since from bleak Alaska to the orange groves of Florida and across the seas in China and Japan, the liberality of the Woman's Auxilliary is circling the earth with their helping hands, and striving to bridge the abyss which divides Christianity from heathenism. We note that recently about twenty women have been appointed under the

United Offering and some are already at work, others on their way, while others are in correspondence for future considerations. The needs and appeals for workers are great from every field and on every line of woman's work. Some of our Missionaries have broken down from continuous hard work and strain, so we of this Auxiliary, if we cannot go in our own persons, must cultivate within our hearts missionary zeal that will compel our hands and brain to labor, our pockets to give, so there shall not fail a Missionary as long as needed. Every Diocesan officer should endeavor to keep before his women the missionary idea and their responsibility to be workers for Christ's kingdom, which is the highest sphere that can be given to mortals, for "His will is to be done on earth even as it is in heaven." We of Arkansas have done so little, it behooves us to stir ourselves as the time is short. We might urge we know so little, but in this case is "ignorance bliss?" Are there no pricks of conscience, no remorse for lost time? We can no longer plead lack of knowledge, for the missionary literature of our churches is now brought to our attention and for this knowledge we must pay the price in study. Books and papers bearing on this subject can be brought within the reach of our people. This is truly an age of books, and yet the best books are not numerous. The classification of the British Museum library begins with the Bible. This arrangement to some may seem merely a matter of sentiment, but it affords an excellent hint. The woman who belongs to a dozen clubs may be farther away from culture than she who stays at home with her home duties and well worn Bible. To be truly cultured, we must appreciate clearly the laws that apply to soul culture. In studying the church and missions, let us not think too much of the material and visible side, but think of the spiritual progress, and be glad that a good man or woman can be placed where they are needed, and pray that they remain good and faithful in the discharge of their offices. We must not encourage too much of a mercenary spirit in dealing with the Church. The United Offering for 1901 appeals to all church people, but especially those interested in the missionary jurisdictions. I hope the blue boxes taken will be returned to our Diocesan treasurer, Mrs. P. K. Roots, full of pennies or larger denominations for this grand object. Here I would like to suggest that in September or October the contents of these boxes be sent to the treasurer, then again in the spring, so she can put out at interest our little savings, and so let it be gathering more. So while the year may have been one of light and shadows of some disappointments, on the whole it has been one of greater encouragements and blessings. We hope to be able to do more and better. Remember to give "is twice blessed; it blesses him who gives and him who receives." Let us day by day seek out high and great things, and press on in our work of winning the world for Christ. Let it be a joy and a privilege to reach forward to those things that are before, and press towards the high mark for the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus.

"Give us a heart, O Lord, strong to endure,
 Help us to keep it simple, pure;
 Make us unselfish, helpful, true
 In every act, whate'er we do."

"Help us to do our woman's share,
 Make us courageous, strong to bear
 Sunshine or shadow in our life,
 Sustain us in the daily strife."

MRS. J. B. PILLOW,
President Woman's Auxiliary of Arkansas.

APPENDIX XIII.

DIOCESAN OFFICERS OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

President—Mrs. J. B. Pillow, St. John's Church, Perry Street, Helena.

First Vice President—Mrs. Logan H. Roots, Trinity Cathedral, 923 Scott Street, Little Rock.

Second Vice President—Mrs. Josephine Boone, Trinity Church, 511 Alabama Street, Pine Bluff.

Secretary—Mrs. Wm. A. Cantrell, Christ Church, 619 Scott Street, Little Rock.

Treasurer—Mrs. P. K. Roots, Trinity Cathedral, 1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

President—Miss Martha Valliant, Trinity Church, 720 Main Street, Pine Bluff.

Secretary—Miss Jessie Adams, Trinity Cathedral, 2403 Louisiana Street, Little Rock.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. Secord, St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.

BABIES' BRANCH OF JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

Directress—Miss Matilda Jordan, Christ Church, 223 East Seventh Street, Little Rock.

OFFICERS OF LOCAL BRANCHES OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, members eight.

President—Mrs. P. K. Roots, 1018 Scott Street.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Helen M. Norton, 923 Scott Street.

Christ Church, Little Rock, members thirty-two.

President—Mrs. Augusta Van Etten, 303 East Eighth Street.

Vice President—Mrs. G. W. Sappington, Sixteenth and Center Streets.

Secretary—Mrs. Gray Carroll, 220 Broadway Street.

Treasurer—Miss Matilda Jordan, 223 East Seventh Street.

St. John's Church, Helena, members twenty-two.

President—Mrs. J. C. Rembert.
Vice President—Mrs. C. C. Agee.
Secretary—Mrs. S. S. Faulkner.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. H. Stone.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, members —.

President—Mrs. P. H. Ellsworth, 702 Park Avenue.
Vice President—Mrs. G. G. Latta.
Secretary—Mrs. E. J. Walch.
Treasurer—Mrs. Little.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, members —.

President—Mrs. Wm. McGuffin.
Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Leila McCauley.

St. James's Church, Eureka Springs, members —.

President—Mrs. R. S. James.
Secretary—Mrs. H. M. Pulliam.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, members twenty-one.

President—Mrs. Ellen Bell, West Barraque Street.
Vice President—Mrs. Virginia Jones, 1015 West Third Street.
Secretary—Mrs. Josephine Boone, 511 Alabama Street.
Treasurer—Mrs. G. E. Valliant, 720 Main Street.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, members twenty.

President—Mrs. Walter Gorman.
Secretary—Mrs. Ellis Turley.
Treasurer—Miss Alice Rollwage.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, members fifteen.

President—Mrs. J. W. Ferrill.
Vice President—Mrs. S. A. Hall.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. N. Reed.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Alberta Weaver.
Treasurer—Mrs. H. L. Minkin.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, members —.

President—Mrs. James J. Vault.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Thomas Shore.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Sue Walker.
Treasurer—Mrs. George H. Blanchard.

**OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL BRANCH OF THE JUNIOR
DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.**

Trinity Cathedral, Junior Branch, Little Rock.

President—Miss Jessie Adams.
Secretary and Treasurer—Miss Estelle Callaway.
Christ Church, Junior Branch, Little Rock.

President and Treasurer—Miss Bessie Goodwin.

Vice President and Secretary—Miss Rosa Miller.

Trinity Church, Junior Branch, Pine Bluff.

President—Mrs. Martha Valliant.

Vice President—Miss Adele Hunn.

Secretary—Miss Pauline Scull.

Treasurer—Miss Mamie Eagle White.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the Board of Managers of Diocesan Missions:

I have the honor to report the following record of answers to the formulated, printed questions sent me by the General Secretary, Miss Julia C. Emery, of the Church Mission House, New York City:

NAMES OF PARISHES.

The names of the Parishes as given in the Journal of the Twenty-seventh Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, held at Trinity Cathedral May 3, 4 and 5, 1899, with the late Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry Niles Pierce presiding, assisted by the newly consecrated Bishop-Coadjutor, Rt. Rev. Dr. William Montgomery Brown, are as follows:

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.

St. Luke's, Hot Springs.

St. Philip's, Little Rock.

Trinity, Van Buren.

St. James's, Eureka Springs.

St. John's, Helena.

Grace, Washington.

Redeemer, Nashville,

St. John's, Camden.

St. Paul's, Newport.

Christ Church, Little Rock.

St. Paul's, Fayetteville.

St. Paul's, Batesville.

St. Andrew's, Marianna.

St. Agnes's, Morrilton.

St. Mark's, Hope.

Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

St. John's, Fort Smith.

MISSIONS.

St. Paul's, Brinkley.

St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.

St. Mark's, Jonesboro.

Parishes nineteen. Missions three.

Of these, ten local branches of the Woman's Auxilliary and four of the Junior Department have worked with the Woman's Auxilliary during the conciliar year, May, 1899, to 1900, viz:

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, branch organized November 18, 1895, Rev. John Davis, Dean.

Christ Church, Little Rock, branch organized May 17, 1896, Rev. John Gass, Rector.

St. John's Church, Helena, branch organized in 1897, Rev. Dr. C. H. Lockwood, Rector.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, branch organized October 5, 1897, Rev. William Cross, Rector.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, branch organized in 1897, Rev. James W. Keeble, Rector.

St. James's Church, Eureka Springs, branch organized in 1897, Rev. Dr. R. S. James, Rector.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, branch organized May 5, 1898, Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, Rector.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, branch organized in 1899, Rev. E. L. Kemp, Rector.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, branch organized in 1899, Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Rector, since transferred to Hot Springs.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, branch organized November 6, 1899, Rev. James J. Vaulx, Rector.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, branch organized June 21, 1899, Rev. D. I. Hobbs, Rector.

Christ Church, Little Rock, branch organized January 27, 1900, Rev. George Gordon Smeade, Rector.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, branch organized June 21, 1899, Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rector.

BABIES' BRANCH.

Christ Church, Little Rock, branch organized April, 1898, Rev. John Gass, Rector.

REPORT OF PARISH BRANCHES ON MISSIONARY BOXES.

October 14, 1899, to Rev. Z. T. Savage, Griggsville, Diocese of Quincy, Ill., by Christ Church, Little Rock, \$72.11; Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, \$11.30; St. Luke's, Hot Springs, \$25.

December 12, 1899, to Mrs. Telfair Hodgson, for Cowan Mission, Tennessee, by St. Paul's, Batesville, \$15; St. Paul's, Newport, \$15.

April 9, 1900, to Rev. D. A. Sandford, for Oklahoma Mission at Bridgeport, Okla., by St. Paul's, Batesville, \$10.

April 9, 1900, to Rev. D. A. Sandford, for Oklahoma Mission at Bridgeport, Okla., by St. John's, Helena, eighty garments; Good Shepherd, Forrest City, twenty-two garments; value, \$45.

December 13, 1899, to Rev. W. S. Claiborne, for Sherwood Mission, Tennessee, by Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, \$26.50; Trinity Cathedral, Junior, Little Rock, \$5.50.

April 12, 1900, to Mrs. Jas. D. Sharer for Mena Mission, Arkansas, by Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, \$9.85.

August 21, 1899, to Jonesboro Mission, Arkansas, by Trinity Cathedral, Junior, Little Rock, alms basins, \$5.

December, 1899, to St. George's Mission, near Morganton, N. C., by Trinity Junior branch, Pine Bluff, \$28.87.

Total value of boxes, \$269.13.

On September 6, 1899, the entire community was profoundly moved to learn that the Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry Niles Pierce, first Bishop of the Diocese of Arkansas, had passed from this life to the life eternal. He died at Fayetteville, Ark., where he had gone August 10 to perform the services of the Church for one of his clergy, Rev. J. J. Vaulx, that he might take a much needed rest. There, at the advanced age of 79 years, within sight of the New Jerusalem, "he lay dead in his harness." The remains were brought to Little Rock and the funeral obsequies were solemnly performed at Trinity Cathedral, where the requiem chant stole sorrowfully through the arches he had caused to be erected.

A large concourse of friends were in attendance who mourned for the friend as well as for the fallen leader and shepherd. Bishops, priests and choristers followed his remains to Oakland Cemetery. There his body was committed to its lasting rest, from which the aspiring soul had "mounted to its source." But the Church was not left without a Bishop. With that dying breath the pastoral staff had passed to the Bishop-Coadjutor, as the dead patriarch had willed and planned. Taking up the legacy bequeathed him with courageous heart and sincere will, the new Bishop entered with zeal upon his heaven-sent mission.

As Bishop-Coadjutor, he presided at the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary on May 4, 1899, and gave a distinct impulse to the cause by his sympathy, encouragement and advice. As Bishop, he has shown unabated ardor. We hope to follow the part he has outlined in the mission field of Arkansas, by giving our contributions, as he requests, into separate amounts for Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign missions.

In compliance with an invitation tendered by the officers of the Diocese, on October 29, 1899, Miss Julia C. Emery, General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, of Church Mission House, New York, arrived in the city, accompanied by Bishop Brown, both of whom had taken St. Louis en route, where the Triennial Conference of the Church held session. Large congregations assembled to hear her discourses to old and young, who were charmed with her modest reverence of manner. The Bishop pleasantly introduced the distinguished guest in a brief address on missions, which she represents as General Secretary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. Miss Emery's presence was an inspiration. Her words of practical advice regarding the conduct of missions were of inestimable value to those interested in the subject, and stirred to action many who had been lukewarm. Accompanied by the president of the Arkansas branch, Mrs. J. B.

Pillow, of St. John's Church, Helena, Miss Emery made a brief tour to the northwest portion of the State, leaving some branches in the process of organization. Thus, with the gentle appeals of peace, mingling with the alarms of war, let us heed the spirit of that petition which has touched the heart of the nation—

"God of our fathers, known of old;
Lord of our far-flung battle line;
Beneath whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine;
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget; lest we forget!"

It was moved and seconded that a set of resolutions be drawn up accentuating the sentiments expressed in the reports of the Diocesan Officers. Accordingly a committee was announced from the chair to perform the duty, viz: Mrs. Jno. W. Ferrill, of St. Paul's, Batesville; Mrs. M. L. Bell, of Trinity, Pine Bluff; Mrs. C. G. Converse, St. Luke's, Hot Springs. This committee draughted the following:

Whereas, We the members of Arkansas Branch of Woman's Auxiliary suffer a personal and common loss in the death of Bishop Pierce; and

Whereas, Our Diocese has lost in him an able, fearless and patient leader; and

Whereas, The whole Missionary work of the American Church has lost our beloved Bishop from its Councils and its worthy ranks, we, therefore, bear witness to an individual and united loss, our sincere sympathy for his bereaved wife and children, and our individual sorrow.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the widow of Rt. Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., LL. D.

MRS. JNO. W. FERRILL,
MRS. M. L. BELL,
MRS. C. G. CONVERSE.

Resolved, That the Arkansas Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, in Annual Council, tender our most grateful appreciation to Miss Julia C. Emery, General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, for her extended visit to our State last fall, and her helpful and inspiring addresses to the Local Branches.

MRS. JNO. W. FERRILL,
MRS. M. L. BELL,
MRS. C. G. CONVERSE.

Resolved, That the Arkansas Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, in Annual Council, having heard that portion of Bishop Brown's annual address relating to the organization of the missionary work of the Diocese and his success in increasing the Diocesan Missionary

Funds at the present Council, sitting as the Diocesan Board of Missions, do most heartily congratulate him and pledge him our hearty co-operation.

MRS. JNO. W. FERRILL,
MRS. M. L. BELL,
MRS. C. G. CONVERSE.

Motion being made, the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

(MRS. W. A.) ELLEN H. CANTRELL.

Secretary Woman's Auxiliary of Arkansas.

Little Rock, May 1, 1900.

APPENDIX XIV.

REPORT OF TREASURER WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

1899.

RECEIPTS.

May 3.—Balance on hand last report.....	\$ 4.30
May 4.—From Eureka Springs branch for Foreign Missions..	1.60
September 16.—Newport branch for United Offering.....	10.19
December 11.—Trinity Cathedral branch for United Offering..	4.02

1900.

January 23.—Forrest City branch, undesignated.....	3.25
February 6.—Helena branch, undesignated.....	4.25
April 16.—Newport branch for Church Extension Fund of the Diocese.....	4.50
April 18.—Eureka Springs branch for China Missions, care of Rev. C. H. Roots, Hankow.....	3.50
April 30.—Pine Bluff branch for Foreign Missions.....	3.80

Total.....\$39.41

1899.

DISBURSEMENTS.

May 5.—To A. F. Adams, treasurer, from Hot Springs branch, for Home Missions.....	\$ 2.00
September 2.—To George C. Thomas, treasurer, from Eureka Springs branch, for Foreign Missions...	1.60

1900.

March 15.—To George C. Thomas, treasurer, from Forrest City branch, undesignated.....	3.25
March 15.—To George C. Thomas, treasurer, from Helena branch, undesignated.....	4.25
April 21.—To George C. Thomas, treasurer, from Eureka Springs branch, for China Missions, Hankow.....	3.50
May 1.—To Bishop Brown, from Newport branch, for Church Extension Fund of Diocese.....	4.50
May 1.—To George C. Thomas, treasurer, from Pine Bluff branch, for Foreign Missions.....	3.80

\$22.90

Balance on hand.....\$16.51

MRS. P. K. ROOTS,
Treasurer.

APPENDIX XV.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

— OF —

RT. REV. HENRY NILES PIERCE, D. D , LL. D.

When a great man falls, the people mourn. When a father of the Church lays down the staff of office at the bidding of death, his fellow-servants bow in sorrow. It is thus with the Diocese and Council of Arkansas at this time. Their first Bishop, after nearly thirty years of faithful service, has been called to his reward. Stricken down, far away from his home, while in the midst of his loved duties, he not only left us an example to follow, but gave his clergy ground for gratitude when they remember that his journey was prompted by devotion to the interests of two of them. Let us speak somewhat of his life-work.

Henry Niles Pierce was born in Pawtucket, R. I., October 19, 1820, hence at the time of his death, September 5, 1899, he lacked but a month and twelve days of attaining his eightieth year. At the age of nineteen he entered Brown University, Providence, R. I., then under the direction of that great college president, Francis Wayland, D. D. His class was distinguished for the high character of its scholarship, and since its graduation in 1842, for the number of great men which it sent forth in Church and State and educational work. The historical catalogues of that university record no class in its previous history that stood higher in these respects. In this class the subject of this sketch greatly distinguished himself for scholarship, and attained a reputation for learning which continued to grow throughout his entire life.

His mind was turned to the ministry of the Gospel as his life-work. His studies led him to look elsewhere than to the Baptists, among whom he had been brought up, and for six months he put himself under the instruction of a scholarly Roman Catholic priest. Neither of these extremes satisfying him, he finally found rest in the Protestant Episcopal Church. Coming South, he applied for orders to Bishop Freeman, who admitted him to the Diaconate April 23, 1843, in Christ Church, Matagorda, Texas, and on January 3, 1849, ordained him to the priesthood in the same church. With his Diaconate began a career of more than fifty-six years in the ministry, for which his piety, learning, and great physical powers eminently fitted him. He virtually founded the church in Washington County, Texas. It was in Matagorda that he met his future wife, Miss Nannie H. Sheppard, to whom he was united in marriage April 18, 1855, and who, in the sorrow of her great bereavement, is comforted by the survival of three children, the Rev. A. W. Pierce, Mrs. G. A. Lyman, and Mrs. William C. Stevens. At the time of

her father's death Mrs. Lyman was in Paris, France. The other two were privileged to be with their father in his last moments.

From 1854 to 1857 he held charges in New Orleans and Rahway, N. J., and in the last named year he went to Mobile, Ala., where he remained nearly twelve years, serving his parish during the trying times of the war between the States. In 1868 he became rector of St. Paul's Church, Springfield, Ill., where his devoted and successful parish work, together with his previous missionary labors, commended him to the House of Bishops as eminently qualified for the missionary bishopric of Arkansas and the Indian Territory. He was consecrated to that high office at Mobile, Ala., on January 25, 1870, by Bishops Green, Whitehouse, R. H. Wilmer, J. P. B. Wilmer, Quintard, and Young.

The University of Alabama, William and Mary College, Va., and the University of Suwanee conferred upon Bishop Pierce his honorary degrees.

His advancement to the Episcopate proved that his work as deacon and priest had met with the approval of the House of Bishops, while the records of the Diocesan Council show that his entire ministry was not an idle one. The writer of this sketch has known him as Bishop of Arkansas to travel more than thirteen thousand miles in one year. His work was preparatory. With a jurisdiction larger than the five Dioceses of New York State, beside the vast Indian Territory, with but \$1,500 from the General Missionary Board with which to pay missionaries for this immense field; with only primitive methods of travel, such as steamboat, stage, and horseback, in the first few years of his Episcopate; with unusual difficulty in securing suitable clergymen for the life of sacrifice which the work required, it is simply wonderful that he accomplished as much as he did to lay a foundation for the great work of his successor.

It has been well said by another that "when Bishop Pierce took charge of the jurisdiction to which he had been assigned, he entered upon a life of hardship, sacrifice, and unremitting toil. The field was purely a missionary field, with a few scattered congregations, very feeble both in means and numbers, and far removed from one another. The Episcopal visitations involved great labor, fatigue and exposure. Only a very strong man, physically, could undertake such work. The only completed railroad in the State was the Memphis and Little Rock. * * * The great Iron Mountain system had not yet been completed." There was then no railroad bridge at Little Rock.

Church life in this early day was not vigorous. Communicants were few, not much more than 600 in number. There were but five church buildings in the entire jurisdiction. Now in Arkansas alone there are twenty-seven, with sixteen rectories and nearly 2,500 communicants, besides many baptized adherents to the Church. Before the Bishop died there began to be signs of renewed life manifested

in the Diocese that give hopeful anticipations of its future. The various churches now have property valued at \$257,000, while the amount yearly raised for religious purposes cannot be less than \$35,000. Bishop Pierce originated two movements that were always dear to his heart. One was the erection of a cathedral, which was virtually completed before his decease. The twenty-fifth anniversary of his consecration witnessed the removal of the entire debt from that edifice, through the large-hearted liberality of a member of the congregation, and now "it stands forth as a fine specimen of old English architecture, and as a monument to the Bishop's unfaltering faith, business management, and of the high purpose he had in mind."

The second object so dear to the heart of the late Bishop was the establishment of an Episcopate fund, the interest of which should be sufficient to support his successor, at his decease, when his income from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society would no longer come to the Diocese. He quietly inaugurated measures for the raising of such a fund which has now reached the valuation of \$20,000.

We would not omit to mention that beside Trinity Cathedral, Bishop Pierce built St. Philip's Church and parsonage for the colored people of Little Rock. Both have been freed from debt through his efforts.

A candid survey of the work done by Bishop Pierce will show that he was no unwilling agent in the hands of God for rendering possible still greater results for the future. While we pray and work for these last, let us not forget or depreciate the former.

The circumstances of his death were unusually sad. At the close of the summer of 1899, stimulated by the desire to relieve his friend of long standing, Rev. J. J. Vaulx, Rector of Fayetteville, to enable him to take a much needed rest, and to visit and counsel with his college mate, the Rev. R. S. James, at Eureka Springs, he started for those places. The intense heat and fatigue of the journey prostrated him at Fayetteville, where, in the familiar and hospitable home of Mr. Vaulx, in spite of the assiduous care of the household and the devoted attentions of his son and daughter, his spirit passed calmly away.

The committee to whom the preparation of this sketch was assigned desire to express their sense of the blank made in their own lives, their work, and their homes by the death of Bishop Pierce. One of us was the first that he admitted to orders. Another, who is privileged to write these lines, was confirmed, made deacon, and advanced to the priesthood by his apostolic hands, while all have enjoyed to an eminent degree the pleasure and profit of his friendship. Hence his departure is a personal loss to each of us. We may speak also for all the clergy who have conscientiously served under him that no prelate of the American Church could have been more solicitous to strengthen them in trial, advise them in difficulty,

bear patiently with their shortcomings, or sympathize with them in their sorrows. Each can exclaim with the prophet Elisha, as Elijah was borne upward, "My Father, My Father." And though all now in the Diocese sincerely rejoice that the burden of our Elijah's work and the power of his mantle have fallen upon an Elisha so competent, yet we cannot amid the latter's successes forget him who first smote the waters and made a way for us to pass to our respective fields of labor.

"Men may go and men may come.

But the work goes on forever."

RICHARD S. JAMES,

JAMES J. VAULX,

D. B. RAMSEY,

D. L. TRIMBLE,

Committee.

APPENDIX XVI.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS FOR THE CONCILIAR YEAR 1900.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, Independence County.

The Rev. Caleb Brintnall Knevals Weed, Rector; John Conway Fitzhugh, Lay Reader; J. C. Fitzhugh and W. B. Lawrence, Wardens; Wm. Ramsey, Clerk; J. E. Rosebrough, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 163. Number of families, 50. Baptisms—Infants, 9; adults, 7; total 16. Confirmations, 9. Number of confirmed persons, 90. Sunday School—Teachers, 8; pupils, 65; total, 73.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$5.40; current expenses, \$98.64; payment of debts, \$280; church supply, \$5.11; Council tax, \$15; Rector's salary, \$500; total, \$904.15. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$26.87; Bishop's Assessment Fund, \$56.40; Bishop's visitation June 24, \$3.15; Bishop's visitation Nov. 1, \$8.46; Church Extension Fund, \$9.56; total, \$104.34. Missions—University of the South, \$6.40. Total for all objects, \$1,014.89.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,200; value of Church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$200; other Parish property, \$250; total value of all Parish property, \$3,650.

Sunday School offering for year, \$67.75.

St. Luke's Church, Brinkley, Monroe County.

The Rev. Edward Livingston Kemp, Rector; residence, Marianna; Edward T. Owen and Fred Edward Sapp, Wardens; John H. Davis, Clerk; Thomas Harry Jackson, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 24. Number of families, 14. Baptisms, 1. Number of persons confirmed, 23. Communicants—

Removed, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; Pupils, 25; total, 30. Public Services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 9; Holy Communion, 3. Sittings in the Church, 125.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$.70; current expenses, \$56.30; total, \$57. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$6.60; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$2.80; Widows and Orphans, \$3.80; Endowment of Episcopate, \$1.60; total, \$24.80. Missions—General, from Sunday School, \$10.25; Foreign, \$1.60; Domestic, \$1.60; total, \$13.45. Total for all objects, \$95.25.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of Church building, \$750; other Parish property, \$120; total value of all Parish property, \$1,120.

This report is from October 1, 1899.

St. John's Church, Camden, Ouachita County.

The Rev. Daniel Breck Ramsey, Rector; residence, Camden; Joseph A. Reeves and P. Lynch Lee, Wardens; Hamilton G. Smith, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 70. Number of families, 20. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4. Confirmations, 7. Burials, 2. Number of persons confirmed, 52. Communicants—Admitted, 7; received, 1; removed, 3; present number, 47. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 20; total, 24. Public Services—On Sunday, 64; on other days, 53; Holy Communion, 13. Sittings in the Church 180.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$38.90; current expenses, \$501.13; insurance, \$22; Christmas, \$8.35; total, \$570.38. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$25.20; Episcopal Fund, \$50; Church building and Rectory, \$6.75; total, \$91.95. Missions—General, \$20; total, \$20. Total for all objects \$682.33.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of Church building, \$2,500; value of Rectory, \$800; other Parish property, \$200; total value of all Parish property, \$4,600.

St. James's Church, Eureka Springs, Carroll County.

The Rev. Richard S. James, D. D., Rector; residence Eureka Springs; Charles D. James, Lay Reader; James F. Sechler and Charles D. James, Wardens; Frederick Peel, Clerk; Charles D. James, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 37. Number of families, 19. Baptisms—Infants, 2; total, 2. Burials, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 37. Communicants—Admitted, 2; present number, 37. Public Services—On Sunday, 65; on other days, 40; Holy Communion 16. Sittings in the Church, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$49.75; current expenses, Rector's salary, \$416.21; other Parochial expenses, \$31.70; total, \$497.66. Diocesan—Woman's Auxillary, \$3.50; Bishop's salary, \$10; total, \$501.16.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$150; value of Church building, \$600; total value of all Parish property, \$750.

During the past year our Parish has done better financially for its Rector than ever before. The Lenten services were more largely attended than ever before and continued without missing a service. The Sunday attendance has been more than formerly and is increasing every Sunday. The Easter services were largely attended, the church being so crowded parties left because they could not get seats. The Easter offering for the pastor's salary was one of the largest in the history of the Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, Washington County.

The Rev. James Junius Vaulx, Rector; residence, Fayetteville; L. W. Weston, Lay Reader; R. V. McCracken and L. W. Weston, Wardens; George F. Blanchard, Clerk; J. H. McIlroy, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 350. Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 1; total, 8. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Number of confirmed persons, 154. Communicants—Present number, 150. Sunday School—Teachers, 9; pupils, 80; total, 89. Public Services—Every Sunday and holiday. Sittings in the Church, 250.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$200.05; current expenses, \$876.99; other Parochial expenses, \$142.58. Missions—General, \$14; Jews, \$2. Total for all objects, \$1,235.62.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000; value of Church building, \$4,000; value of Rectory, \$3,000; endowments or invested funds amount to \$600; total value of all Parish property, \$9,600.

I have been in bad health the whole year, and hence arises the scantiness of report, and also I have made no report from my missions for I have been unable to look after them for various reasons.

Good Shepherd Church, Forrest City, St. Francis County.

The Rev. Edward Livingston Kemp, Rector; residence, Marianna; John Gatling, Superintendent of Sunday School; John Gatling and C. L. Knight, Wardens; Walter Gorman, Clerk; Ellis Turley, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 67. Number of families, 17. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Marriages, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 45. Communicants—Received, 10; removed, 1; present number, 45. Public Services—On Sunday, 30; on other days, 16; Holy Communion, 7.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$1.96; current expenses, \$245.56; support of Sunday School, \$25.58; improvements on Church, fence, electric light, etc., \$149.16. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$12; Diocesan Missions, \$3.03; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$3.55; Endowment of Episcopate, \$3.02; Ladies' Guild, \$92.70. Missions—General, \$6.05; Foreign, from Sunday School, \$4.50; Domestic, \$4.50.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$600; value of Church building, \$2,000; total value of all Parish property, \$3,100.

We have recently purchased a Rectory for \$1,200, but the deed has not yet been made.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, Sebastian County.

The Rev. A. A. Robertson, Minister; W. A. Falconer, Lay Reader; J. H. Hamilton and W. A. Falconer, Wardens; W. B. Smith, Clerk; W. W. Bailey, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 280. Number of families, 96. Baptisms—Adults, 22; total, 22. Marriages, 4. Number of confirmed persons, 3. Sunday School—Teachers, 11; pupils, 100; total, 111. Public Services—On Sunday, 104; on other days, 52; Holy Communion, 10.

Services are supported by endowment, by pew rents, by annual subscriptions, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$2,890.78. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$50; Diocesan Missions, \$59.63; sundries, \$15.58; Bishop's salary, \$159.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$5,000; value of Church building, \$12,500; value of Rectory, \$1,200; other Parish property, \$1,500; total value of all Parish property, \$20,200. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,700.

Through the kindness and energy of Archdeacon Williams, we succeeded in occupying our beautiful new Church on Easter Sunday, on which day the offerings for the new Church were \$1,020.

St. John's Church, Helena, Phillips County.

The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D., Rector; residence, the Rectory, 507 Perry Street; P. O. Thweatt and Greenfield Quarles, Wardens; S. S. Faulkner, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 400. Number of families, 112. Baptisms—Infants, 13; adults, 14; total 27. Confirmations, 18. Marriages, 2. Burials, 11. Number of confirmed persons, 269. Communicants—Admitted, 18; received, 3; died, 4; removed, 4; present number, 248. Sunday School—Teachers, 18; pupils, 137, total, 155. Public Services—On Sunday, 130; on other days, 109; Holy Communion, 71.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$17.45; current expenses, \$2,519.32; Ladies' Aid Society, \$4.40; Young Ladies' Guild, \$188.60, Ophelia Moore Memorial Home, \$400; other sources, \$225; total, \$1,253.60. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$60; Diocesan Missions, \$110.85; Episcopal Fund, Bishop's salary, \$155; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$13.86; Archdeacon Webber, \$128.78, Bishop Brown's Church extension. Missions—Domestic, \$20; University of the South, \$15; general clergy fund, \$16.50; for starving India, \$37.36.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$3,000; value of Church building, \$30,000; value of Rectory, \$3,500; other Parish property, \$2,500; total value of all Parish property, \$39,000.

St. Mark's Church, Hope, Hempstead County.

The Rev. Martin Damer, Missionary; residence, Hope; Samuel A. Knighton, Lay Reader; Judson Timothy West and Samuel A. Knighton, Wardens; Moses H. Zarlow, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 60. Number of families, 15. Baptisms—Infants, 1; total, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 40. Communicants—Received, 1; present number, 30. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 30; total, 35. Public Services—On Sunday, 43; on other days, 25; Holy Communion, 30. Sitzings in the Church, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$3; current expenses, \$265.30; total, \$268.30. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$13.30; Episcopal Fund, \$6.35; Bishop's salary, \$16; Church Extension Fund, \$19.50; total, \$65.15. Missions—General, \$3.75; Foreign, \$20; Jews, \$2.36; general clergy relief, \$3.75; total, \$29.86. Total for all objects, \$363.31.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of Church building, \$750; other Parish property, \$150; total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

Ascension Church, Arkansas City, Desha County.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Missionary; residence, Little Rock.

Number of registered Parishioners, 15. Baptisms—Infants, 2.

Services are supported by endowment, by pew rents, by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—The Guild has on hand, \$200. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions \$4.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; other Parish property \$100; total value of all Parish property, \$450.

The people have made formal application to be admitted as an organized Mission. All pledge \$100 for building a Church and \$250 for services.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, Garland County.

The Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, Rector; residence, Hot Springs; Morris C. Tombler and Fred N. Rix, Wardens; Harry R. Vaughan, Clerk; Charles V. Convers, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 309. Number of families, 90. Baptisms—Infants, 3; total, 3. Confirmations, 5. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Number of confirmed persons, 135. Communicants—Admitted, 5; received, 3; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 133. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 76; total, 82. Public Services—On Sunday, 52; on other days, 65; Holy Communion, 25. Sittings in the Church, 500.

Services are supported by endowment, by pew rents, by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$44.31; current expenses, \$1,100.36; payment of debts, \$1,273.90; Mission by Ven. Percy C. Webber, \$48; total, \$2,466.57. Diocesan—Bishop Pierce (visitation), \$3.25. Missions—General, \$90.84. Total for all objects, \$2,469.82.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000; value of Church building, \$17,000; other Parish property, organ, pews, altar, windows and furnishing, \$5,800; total value of all Parish property, \$32,800. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$2,411.50.

Sunday School Lenten mite box collection for General Missions, \$13.28; Sunday School collections for Sunday School purposes, \$110.81. Chancel Guild, \$288. Woman's Auxiliary (\$77.56 sent to Board of Missions), \$461.76. Rectory Guild, \$70. These items are given because they show the activity of the women of the Parish. The funds were used in assisting the vestry.

My Rectorate began on Ash Wednesday, 1900, so that the statistical report is only approximate, as the records have been poorly kept. The Parish is said to be in a better condition generally than for some time past, and it is hoped that everything will progress nicely.

St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, Craighead County.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Missionary; residence, Little Rock.

Number of registered Parishioners, 20. Number of families, 10. Baptisms—Infants, 2; total, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 17. Communicants—Received, 15; present number, 15.

Services supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$5.48.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Church building, \$1,250; total value of all Parish property, \$1,450.

Mr. F. S. Rawlins and Mr. Elliott McVeigh, the present Wardens, having removed, it is earnestly desired that the Bishop appoint new Wardens for St. Mark's Mission.

Christ Church, Little Rock, Pulaski County.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector; residence, 509 Scott Street; the Rev. James Dickinson Simmons, Assistant; Major Parham, Lay Reader; Dr. Wm. A. Cantrell and John W. Goodwin, Wardens; Frank M. Jefferson, Clerk; Gordon N. Peay, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 1,000. Number of families, 350. Baptisms—Infants, 20; adults, 11; total, 31. Confirmations, 44. Marriages, 14. Burials, 18. Number of confirmed persons, 650. Communicants—Admitted, 44; received, 10; died, 3; removed, 2; present number, 538. Sunday School—Teachers and officers, 46; pupils, 318; total, 364. Public Services—On Sunday, 100; on other days, 100; Holy Communion, 50. Sitzings in Church, free and rented, 650.

Services are supported by pew rents, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$238.47; current expenses, \$4,825.25; payment of debts, \$3,200; Ladies' Aid Society, \$968.68; Daughters of the King, \$497.84; St. Cecilia's Guild, \$323; Chancel Guild, \$255; Christ Church Sunday School, \$260.96; St. Paul's Chapel Sunday School, \$378.60; total, \$10,947.70. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$115; Diocesan Missions, \$210.25; Bishop's salary, \$113; total, \$11,385.95. Missions—General, \$82.67; Foreign, \$25; Domestic, \$25; University of the South, \$30.11; total, \$162.78. Total for all objects, \$11,548.73.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$14,500; value of Church building, \$51,500; value of Rectory, \$6,000; other Parish property, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$73,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,200.

This has been the most successful year in the history of Christ Church. Every department of the Church is alive with activity.

The Assistant Rector (Rev. Mr. Simmons) will enter upon his duties this week.

The Easter offering amounted to \$2,554.70. After the pledges are collected, including \$1,000 in the Building and Loan Association, the indebtedness on the Church will only be \$200.

I cannot close this report without speaking of the wonderful work being done by Mr. Fay Hempstead at St. Paul's Chapel, a Mission of this Church. In a very short while I believe the work will be self supporting.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Pulaski County.

The Rev. A. W. Pierce, Rector; residence, 1700 Center Street; P. K. Roots, Lay Reader, P. K. Roots and W. A. Cook, Wardens; O. P. Lane, Clerk, T. W. Teakle, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 325. Number of families, 66. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 1; total 4. Confirmations, 5. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 163. Communicants—Admitted, 3; received, 21; died, 2; removed, 4;

present number 143. Sunday School—Teachers, 8; pupils, 84; total, 92. Public Services—On Sunday, 98; on other days, 72; Holy Communion, 90. Sittings in the Church, free, 500.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$1,353.32; other Parochial expenses, \$237.29; total \$1,353.32. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$69.18; Episcopal Fund, \$41.50; other objects within the Diocese, \$10; total, \$150.68. Missions—General, \$23.38; University of the South, \$40; total, \$66.88. Total for all objects, \$1,810.15.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$6,000; value of Church building, \$10,000; value of Rectory, \$2,000; total value of all Parish property, \$18,000.

St. Philip's Church, Pulaski County.

Communicants—Present number, 30. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 36; total, 40. Sittings in Church, 100.

St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, Lee County.

The Rev. Edward Livingston Kemp, Rector; residence, Marianna; Dudley S. Clark, Lay Reader; Dudley S. Clark and Joseph F. Rankin, Wardens; John M. Daggett, Clerk; F. Noel Burke, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 93. Number of families, 29. Baptisms—Infants, 2; total, 2. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3. Number of confirmed persons, 52. Communicants—Received, 3; died, 1; removed, 4; present number, 49. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 36; total, 42. Public Services—On Sunday, 37; on other days, 48; Holy Communion, 14. Sittings in the Church, free, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$4.05; current expenses, \$349.35; payment of debts, \$47.05; repairs and improvements, \$274.05; expenses of Sunday School, \$20.08; total, \$694.58. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$15; Diocesan Missions, \$5.55; Episcopal Fund, \$28; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$10.50; Endowment of Episcopate, \$1.65; Bishop's stipend, \$10; total, \$70.70. Missions—General, \$3.30; Foreign, \$10; Domestic, \$10; Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$3.51; total, \$26.81. Total for all objects, \$747.09.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$2,500; value of Rectory, \$2,000; total value of all Parish property, \$5,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$780.

During the past year the Parish was without a Rector until October 1, when the Rev. Mr. Kemp took charge; but in the meantime services were held regularly by the Lay Reader. The above report dates from October 1. Improvements are being made upon the Rectory, and sufficient funds given and subscribed to pay off all indebtedness.

St. Andrew's Church, Mammoth Spring, Fulton County.

The Rev. E. A. Neville, Rector; residence, West Plains, Mo.; P. P. B. Hynson, Senior Warden.

Number of registered Parishioners, 28. Number of families, 8. Baptisms—Adults, 1; total, 1. Burials, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 20. Communicants—Present number, 19. Public Services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 6; Holy Communion, 6. Sittings in Church, 100.

Services are supported by endowment, by pew rents, by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$20; payment of debts, \$28; total, \$48. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$13.60; Bishop's salary, \$5; total, \$23.60. Total for all objects, \$71.60.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of Church building, \$1,500; value of Rectory, \$700; total value of all Parish property, \$2,500. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$154.

The Rector in charge resides at West Plains, Mo., the Rev. Edmund A. Neville, and supplies that point, Thayer, Mo., and Mammoth Spring, Ark. Services held one Sunday in each month at Mammoth Spring.

Christ Church, Mena, Polk County.

The Rev. Wm. George Coote, Missionary; residence, Mena; Committee and Colonel Sharer, Wardens; Mr. Hayward, Clerk; Judge Matheny, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 48. Number of families, 12. Baptisms—Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Marriages, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 34. Communicants—Removed, 2; present number, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, 28; on other days, 10; Holy Communion, 10. Sittings in the Church, free, 120.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions and Mission fund.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$6; payment of debts, \$40.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Church building, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$1,200.

Only five months' report. The Bishop sent me here December of last year. We have a Ladies' Guild, twelve members; Mrs. Sharer, President; Mrs. Matheny, Secretary; Mrs. Smith, Treasurer. St. Agnes's Guild, Miss Ira Anderson, President; Miss Easterday, Treasurer; Miss Maud Sharer, Secretary. The Missionary is superintendent of Sunday School. We have not been able to make any collections for the Diocese and Foreign Missions, but will do so after next Council.

The congregation has collected and given money to build and furnish Church, cost \$1,000. We have received \$200 from our Bishop. We have received Holy Communion linen from Auxiliary, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, also \$10 from our Bishop's wife. It will take six months more hard work and much self denial to finish Church and lot in Mena.

St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton, Conway County.

The Rev. Ivan Morgan Merlinjones, D. D., Missionary; residence, 207 Morrill Street, Morrilton, Ark.; Dr. William Miller Scarborough and Wickliffe Edwin DeLong, Wardens; William Henry Ashley, Clerk; Dr. Scarborough, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 44. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Confirmations, 9. Number of confirmed persons, 25. Communicants—Admitted by confirmation, 9; removed, 12; present number, 25. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 20; total, 24. Public Services—On Sunday, 104. Sittings in the Church, free, 100.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$1,950; value of Rectory, \$490; Parish library, twenty-five volumes, \$20; total value of all Parish property, \$2,960.

Church of the Redeemer, Nashville, Howard County.

The Rev. Martin Damer, Missionary; residence, Hope; Wm. Rodgers, Warden.

Number of registered Parishioners, 10. Number of families, 4. Number of confirmed persons, 7. Communicants—Present number, 7. Public Services—On Sunday, 12; on other days, 3; Holy Communion, 6. Sittings in Church, free, 100.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$25; total, \$25. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$3.90; total, \$3.90. Total for all objects, \$28.90.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of Church building, \$900; total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

This report dates from October 15, 1899.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, Jackson County.

The Rev. Percy Robottom, Rector; residence, Newport; Lancelot Minor and Gustave Jones, Wardens; Thomas I. Gregg, Clerk; O. D. Watson, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 130. Number of families, 50. Baptisms—Infants, 6; total, 6. Confirmations 16. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. Number of confirmed persons, 100. Communicants—Admitted, 14; received, 4; present number, 55. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 50; total, 56. Public Services—On Sunday, 104; on other days, 50; Holy Communion, 60. Sittings in the Church, free, 200.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$19; current expenses, \$975.98; building of Rectory, \$610; Sunday School, \$22.26; total, \$1,627.24. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$12; Diocesan Missions, \$17.87; Episcopal Fund, \$26; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$3.75; total, \$59.62. Missions—General, \$18.30; American Church Building Fund, \$14.80; University of the South, \$2.37; Woman's Auxiliary, \$51.09; total, \$86.56. Total for all objects, \$1,773.42.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$700; value of Church building, \$1,000; value of Rectory, \$1,600; total value of all Parish property, \$3,300.

The present Rector of the Parish assumed charge on Ash Wednesday last. Its evidence of prosperity in the erection of a Rectory, its large increase in the number of confirmed persons and communicants, and the generous offerings of the people, are due to the wise administration of the last Rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Rhames.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, Jefferson County.

The Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, Rector; residence, 703 Fifth Avenue, Pine Bluff; Horatio Riley, Lay Reader; Nichols Beardsley Trulock and Robt. E. Lee, Wardens; Frank Brunson Tomlinson, Clerk; Jas. Burton Trulock, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 475. Number of families, 127. Baptisms—Infants, 42; adults, 16; total, 58. Confirmations, 16. Marriages, 7. Burials, 5. Number confirmed persons, 297. Communicants—Admitted, 16; received, 4; died, 5; removed, 9; present number, 297. Sunday School—Teachers, 14; pupils, 130; total, 144. Public Services—On Sunday, 100; on other days, 117; Holy Communion, 49. Sittings in the Church, free, 400.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$75.50; current expenses, \$2,047; choir vestments, \$31; new altar rail, \$125; Sunday School, \$50; total, \$2,322.50. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$45; Diocesan Missions, \$105.80; Bishop's salary, \$100; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$7.50; Woman's Auxiliary, \$24; Bible fund, \$12; total, \$294.30. Missions—General, \$10; Foreign, \$10; Domestic, \$25; University of the South, \$10; boxes sent out Diocese with clothing, etc., \$16. Total for all objects, \$2,693.80.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000; value of Church building, \$17,500; other Parish property, \$1,800; total value of all Parish property, \$21,300.

The Rectory has been sold for the sum of \$1,800. We are now looking for a suitable site upon which to build contiguous to the church.

A fund is being raised for the purpose of erecting a Parish house in the rear of the church building.

Trinity Association has raised in the past year \$243.50 for Parish purposes.

The Young Ladies' Guild has raised among themselves \$143. Amount in hand.

The Daughters of the King have increased ten in number, and have done a beautiful work.

The Sunday School has shown a marked improvement within the past year. A society of eighteen girls has been organized by the name of St. John's Guild.

Trinity Church, Searcy, White County.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Missionary; residence, Little Rock; John T. Hicks and T. B. Paschall, Wardens; Homer Prince, Clerk; T. B. Paschall, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 25. Number of families, 9. Number of confirmed persons, 15. Communicants—Admitted, 12; present number, 12. Sunday School—Total, 10. Public Services—On other days, 6; Holy Communion, 4. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscriptions and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—For building chapel, \$800. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$120.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$400; value of Church building, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$1,400.

The chapel now being built will be opened for services on Ascension Day.

Siloam Springs, Benton County.

The Rev. James Junius Vault, Missionary; residence, Fayetteville.

Number Communicants, 6.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, Crawford County.

The Rev. J. B. Whaling, Rector; residence, Van Buren; Sidney A. Pernot and John D. White, Wardens; Geo. Miller, Clerk; Henry Faber, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 160. Number of families represented, 63. Baptisms—Infants, 18; adults, 5; total, 23. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 93. Communicants—Admitted, 5; removed, 1; present number of actual communicants, 65. Sunday School—Teachers, 7; pupils, 70; total, 77. Public Services—On Sunday, 71; on other days, 66; Holy Communion, 47. Sittings in the Church, free, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Seven of the above weekly services were held at a schoolhouse in Dora.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, used for poor and Church needs, \$20.54; current expenses, \$111.70; payment of debts and improvements, \$264.85; Rector's salary (six months), \$300; Church music and organ, \$5.70; paid out for Sunday School, \$62.04;

paid out cash for Rectory and insurance, \$1,512.10; improvements vestry, \$15.15. Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, Council fund, \$20; Diocesan Missions, \$19.70; Episcopal Fund, offertory at Bishop's visit, \$3.50; Bishop's salary, \$16; Archdeacon Webber for Missions, \$42.87; raised by Daughters of the King, \$6.70; on hand in Church treasury, \$13. Missions—General, \$20.05; Domestic, Church Periodical Club, 50 cents. Total for all objects, \$2,397.25.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,775; value of Church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$2,000; total value of all Parish property, \$5,775.

The old Rectory was sold for \$1,000 or given in exchange for that amount towards the \$2,500 paid for new Rectory. Of the other \$1,500, \$500 was given by the Bishop and \$1,000 raised by the people in two months.

The reports for baptisms, etc., are for six months only, the time of my incumbency. In that time \$100 has been given to the Parish on Rector's salary by Diocesan Board of Missions. This amount is not included in above reports.

During the last six months the attendance at all Church services and Sunday School has been doubled. Two teachers have been added to the Sunday School. A vested choir has been added to the regular choir. A new Woman's Society has been added to the Parish. A Bible class has been taught on Wednesday evenings. The women of the Guilds have raised \$300 beside the money for the Rectory. The Parish has been visited by the Bishop and Miss Emery, by Archdeacon Webber, and Archdeacon Williams. The Daughters of the King, though few, have been faithful.

Grace Church, Washington, Hempstead County.

The Rev. Martin Damer, Missionary; residence, Hope; Wm. Eakin, Lay Reader; Wm. Eakin and Charles Ratcliffe, Wardens; Miss Alice Zouldin, Clerk.

Number of registered Parishioners, 20. Number of families, 7. Burials, 18. Communicants—Removed, 1; present number, 16. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 6; total, 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 14; on other days, 2; Holy Communion, 7. Sitzings in the Church, free, 160.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$61.77. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$1.60. Missions—General, \$3. Total for all objects, \$66.37.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of Church building, \$800; value of Rectory, \$100; total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

This report dates from October 1, 1899.

St. Stephen's Church, Winslow, Washington County.

The Rev. Jas. Junius Vaulx, Missionary; residence, Fayetteville. Confirmations, 5. Number of confirmed persons, 20. Communicants—Present number, about 20.

St. Thomas's Church, Wynne, Cross County.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Missionary; residence, Little Rock.

Number of registered Parishioners, 26. Number of families, 6. Burials, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 9. Communicants—Admitted, 9; present number, 9.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, 70 cents; current expenses, \$3.68; other Parochial expenses, \$1.50. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$3.60; Episcopal Fund, 25 cents; Aged and Infirm Clergy 75 cents. Missions—Foreign, 20 cents; Domestic, 20 cents. Total for all objects, \$10.88.

APPENDIX XVI.
TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

	Parochial— Communion Aims.	Parochial— Current Expenses.	Parochial— Payment of Debts.	Other Parochial Expenses.	Diocesan—Diocesan Assessment.	Diocesan— Assessment.	Diocesan— Episcopate Fund.	Diocesan—Aged and Indirm Clergy.	Diocesan—Arkansas Church Building Fund.	Other Objects within the Diocese.	Missions—General.	Missions—Foreign.	Missions—Domestic.	Missions—Jews. Theological Depart- ment University of the South.	Other Objects without the Diocese.	Total for all Objects.
Arkansas City	5 40	604 25	280 00	20 00	10 81	4 65	1 60	2 80	21 17	56 40	10 25	1 60	1 60	6 40	1,010 43	4 65
Batesville	70	56 30		10 00	5 00	10 00	50 00		6 75	3 80	10 25	1 60			83 55	83 55
Brinkley	38 90	501 13		30 35	25 20	25 20				3 50	20 00				682 33	682 33
Camden	49 75	447 91		142 58	6 00	6 00				82 70	14 00	4 50	4 50	2 00	601 16	1,241 62
Eureka Springs	20 05	876 99		174 74	10 00	3 03	3 02	3 55		174 58	6 05	20 00	20 00		549 61	3,211 79
Fayetteville	1 96	245 56		1,553 60	60 00	78 43	6 35			297 64	3 75	20 00		15 00	3,211 79	4,327 72
Forrest City		2,890 78		1,553 60	60 00	110 85			19 50	16 00	3 75	20 00			2,890 78	2,890 78
Fort Smith	17 45	2,519 38		48 00	30 00	13 61	6 35		3 35	3 35	90 84				2,590 86	2,590 86
Helena	3 00	285 31			5 35	5 35									5 35	5 35
Hope	44 81	1,100 36	1,273 90		5 00	5 00									5 00	5 00
Jonesboro					211 62	211 62				113 00	82 67	25 00	25 00	30 11	11,560 10	11,560 10
Lake Village	238 47	4,855 25	3,200 00	2,683 98	115 00	69 18	41 50			10 00	23 38				1,908 17	1,908 17
Little Rock, Christ Ch.		1,353 32		237 29	30 00	69 18									40 00	40 00
Little Rock, Tr-y Cath.																
Little Rock, St. Philip's																
Mammoth Spring		20 00	28 00		5 00	13 60	5 00			38 00	3 30	10 00	10 00		71 60	71 60
Marionville	4 05	349 35	47 05	294 13	15 00	5 55	1 65	10 50							782 09	782 09
Men	6 00	40 00			1 07	1 07									46 00	46 00
Morrilton		25 00			3 90	3 90									1 07	1 07
Nashville		25 00		610 00	20 00	80 67	26 00	3 75			18 39				28 90	28 90
Newport	19 00	898 12		26 00	20 00	80 67									1,794 10	1,794 10
Pine Bluff	75 50	2,047 00		26 00	45 00	105 80				186 00	10 00	10 00	25 00	2 37	2,063 80	2,063 80
Rea				8 00	1 20	1 20								10 00	16 00	16 00
Searcy				1,512 10	20 00	19 70				3 60	62 87				9 21	9 21
Van Buren	20 64	799 44			5 00	5 00				28 70	62 87				2,431 85	2,431 85
Washington.		61 77		1 50	3 60	3 60				25	3 00	20			71 87	71 87
Wynne	70	3 68			1 60	1 60									10 86	10 86
	\$725 96	\$19,990 88	\$1,828 96	\$7,262 27	\$460 00	\$739 43	\$135 12	\$28 85	\$54 17	\$674 57	\$348 41	\$71 30	\$86 80	\$7 80	\$183 01	\$36,101 22

APPENDIX XVI.

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—*Concluded.*

	Parish Property—Value of all Parish Lands Ex- clusive of Buildings.	Value of Church Build- ings.	Value of Rectory.	Other Parish Property.	Endowment or Other In- vested Funds Amount to.	Total Value of all Parish Property.	Total Indebtedness of the Parish.
Arkansas City	\$ 200	\$	\$.....	\$ 250	\$	\$ 450	\$.....
Batesville	1,300	2,000	200	250		3,650	
Brinkley	250	750		120		1,120	
Camden	1,000	2,500	800	200		4,500	
Eureka Springs	150	800				750	
Fayetteville	2,000	4,000	3,000		600	9,600	
Forrest City	900	2,500				3,100	
Fort Smith	5,000	12,500	1,200	1,500		20,200	1,700
Helena	3,000	30,000	3,500	2,500		39,000	
Hope	100	750		150		1,000	
Hot Springs	10,000	17,000		5,800		32,800	2,412
Jonesboro	200	1,250				1,450	
Lake Village							
Little Rock, Christ Church	14,500	51,500	6,000	1,000		73,000	400
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.	6,000	10,000	2,000			18,000	
Little Rock, St. Philip's	1,500	1,000	500			3,000	
Mammoth Spring	300	1,500	700			2,500	154
Marianna	500	2,500	2,000			5,000	748
Mena	200	1,000				1,200	
Morrilton	500	1,950	490	20		2,960	
Nashville	100	900				1,000	
Newport	700	1,000	1,000			3,300	
Pine Bluff	2,000	17,500		1,800		21,300	
Searcy	400	1,000				1,400	
Van Buren	1,775	2,000	2,900			5,775	
Washington	100	800	100			1,000	
Wynne							
	\$52,275	\$166,500	\$24,090	\$13,590	\$ 600	\$237,055	\$5,414

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Notice.

The form of Parochial Reports and Certificates of Lay Delegates will be mailed to Rectors and Wardens under provisions of the Canon.

It is specially requested that they be carefully compiled to April 30 and sent in promptly to the Secretary, so that the roll may be made up and the reports tabulated for the Committee on State of the Church on the first day of the Council.

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Marianna, Ark. Secretary.

**The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of
The Protestant Episcopal Church in the
United States of America.**

The Society asks for stated offerings as follows, and on the dates given when possible :

DOMESTIC MISSIONS, the first Sunday in Advent.

FOREIGN MISSIONS, the second Sunday after the Epiphany.

MISSIONS TO COLORED PEOPLE, the third Sunday after the Epiphany.

MISSIONS TO INDIANS, the fourth Sunday after Easter.

The Treasurer is MR. GEORGE C. THOMAS, to whom all remittances should be sent, at his office.

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Special Offerings.

**Recommended by the Council and the Dates
on which they shall be made.**

**DIOCESAN MISSIONS, on the first Sunday in Lent, and on
Trinity Sunday.**

**EPISCOPATE FUND, on Septuagesima Sunday, or on Easter
Day.**

**AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY, and WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE, on National
Thanksgiving Day.**

**THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, on
the First Sunday in Advent.**

**AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION, an Annual
Offering.**

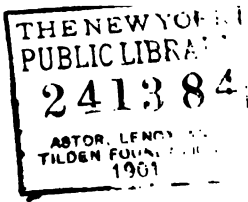
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OF THE
Twenty-Ninth Annual Council

OF THE
DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS,

HELD IN
CHRIST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK,
May 8, 9 and 10, A. D. 1901.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED
Parochial and Diocesan Reports,
Appendixes, Etcetera.

**LITTLE ROCK, ARK.:
ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT COMPANY.
1901.**



DIOCESAN OFFICERS.

Bishop.

THE RIGHT REV. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY BROWN, D. D.,
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THE VEN. R. W. RHAMES, B. A., B. D.,
ARCHDEACON OF EASTERN ARKANSAS,
2019 Center Street, Little Rock.

THE VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS, M. A., D. D.,
ARCHDEACON OF WESTERN ARKANSAS,
2018 Louisiana Street, Little Rock.

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THE REV. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D., *President, Helena.*

THE REV. G. GORDON SMEADE, B. D., *Secretary,*
Christ Church Rectory, Little Rock.

THE REV. W. D. BUCKNER, B. D. MR. P. K. ROOTS. MR. JOS. A. REEVES.

Secretary.

MR. JOHN M. DAGGETT, *Marianna.*

Treasurer.

MR. P. K. ROOTS, *1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.*

Trustee of the Episcopate Fund.

MR. S. S. FAULKNER, *First National Bank, Helena.*

Registrar.

MR. FAY HEMPSTEAD, *Masonic Temple, Little Rock.*

Chancellor.

MR. WILLIAM G. WHIPPLE, *415 Scott Street, Little Rock.*
(Term Expires 1908.)

Committee on Judiciary.

THE CHANCELLOR, *Ex Officio President.*

MR. JOHN GATLING.

MR. GUSTAVE JONES.

Board of Managers—Diocesan Missions.

THE BISHOP, *Ex Officio President.*

The Archdeacons, Ex Officio Members.

THE REV. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D. THE REV. G. GORDON SMEADE, B. D.

THE REV. WALTER D. BUCKNER, B. D.

MR. NICHOLS B. TRULOCK, *Secretary.*

MR. H. C. RATHER, *The Citizens Bank, Little Rock, Treasurer.*

MR. JOHN GATLING.

Examining Chaplains.

THE REV. PERCY J. ROBOTTOM, *Chairman.*

THE VEN. R. W. RHAMES, B. D. THE VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.

Preacher of Council Sermon.

THE REV. A. A. ROBERTSON, M. A.

Alternate.

THE REV. J. J. CORNISH.

Diocesan Architect.

MR. JOHN SUTCLIFFE, *218 La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.*

Diocesan Representation in the General Institutions of the Church.

Deputies to the General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
THE REV. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.	MR. JOSEPH A. REEVES.
THE REV. G. GORDON SMEADE.	MR. P. K. ROOTS.
THE REV. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.	MR. JOHN H. RODGERS.
THE REV. W. D. BUCKNER.	MR. JOHN T. HICKS.

Substitutes for Deputies to the General Convention.

In the order of their election.

Clerical.	Lay.
THE REV. PERCY J. ROBOTTOM.	MR. JOHN M. DAGGETT.
THE VEN. R. W. RHAMES, B. D.	MR. N. B. TRULOCK.
THE REV. A. A. ROBERTSON.	MR. MORRIS C. TOMBLER.
THE REV. GEO. B. NORTON, D. D.	MR. H. C. RATHER.

Delegates to the Missionary Council.

Appointed at General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
THE REV. C. H. LOCKWOOD, B. D.	MR. P. K. ROOTS.
THE VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.*	MR. JOHN M. DAGGETT.

Elected by the Council 1899.

THE VEN. R. W. RHAMES, B. D.	MR. JOSEPH A. REEVES.
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*Appointed by the Bishop to fill vacancy caused by removal of Rev. W. T. Allen from the Diocese.

Trustees of the University of the South.

THE REV. CHARLES H. LOCKWOOD, B. D. (Term expires 1904.)	MR. JOHN M. DAGGETT (1903).
MR. H. C. RATHER (1904).	

Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

THE REV. JAMES J. VAULX, B. D. (Term expires 1904.)
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CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS IN THE ORDER OF THEIR CANONICAL RESIDENCE.

Bishop.

The Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Little Rock...	1898
The Rev. James J. Vault, B. D., Fayetteville.....	1876
The Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood, B. D., Helena.....	1888
The Rev. Daniel B. Ramsey, B. D., Camden.....	1892
The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Little Rock.....	1896
The Rev. W. D. Buckner, Pine Bluff.....	1898
The Ven. R. W. Rhamez, M. A., Little Rock.....	1899
The Rev. J. B. Whaling, Van Buren.	1899
The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., Little Rock.....	1899
The Rev. Percy J. Robottom, M. A., Little Rock.....	1900
The Rev. A. A. Robertson, M. A., Fort Smith.....	1900
The Rev. L. S. Shermer, A. B., Batesville.....	1900
The Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D., Searcy.....	1900
The Rev. W. P. Browne, Jonesboro	1900
The Rev. Arnoldus Miller, M. A., Little Rock.....	1901
The Rev. J. J. Cornish, Marianna.....	1901
The Rev. Ephraim Watt, M. A., Hot Springs.....	1901

Nonparochial Clergy.

The Rev. David L. Trimble, Pine Bluff.....	1883
The Rev. Richard S. James, D. D., LL. D., Eureka Springs....	1888
The Rev. W. G. Flowers.....	1893
The Rev. Isaiah P. Daniels, Little Rock (colored).....	1894
The Rev. A. W. Pierce, Little Rock.....	1894
The Rev. W. G. Coote, Mena.....	1898

Postulants

Sylvester Reed McAlpin.

John Cyril France.

LICENSED LAY READERS.

St. Paul's, Batesville, J. Conway Fitzhugh.
 St. John's, Camden, P. Lynch Lee.
 St. James's, Eureka Springs, C. F. Ellis, M. D.
 St. John's Church, Fort Smith, Wm. Armistead Falconer.
 St. John's Church, Helena, Nathan French Bruce.
 St. Mark's, Hope, Samuel A. Knighton.
 Christ Church, Little Rock, Richard H. Parham.
 St. Andrew's, Marianna, Dudley Sanders Clark.
 Trinity, Pine Bluff, Horatio Riley.
 Siloam Springs, Sylvester Reed McAlpin.
 Grace, Washington, Wm. S. Eakin.
 Trinity Cathedral, William Williams.

PARISH PROPERTY IN THE DIOCESE.

Arkansas City—Chapel.
Batesville—St. Paul's—Church, Rectory.
Booneville—Lot.
Brinkley—St. Luke's—Chapel.
Camden—St. John's—Church, Rectory.
Conway—Chapel.
Dardanelle—St. Paul's—Chapel, Rectory.
El Dorado—Lot.
Eureka Springs—St. James's—Church.
Fayetteville—St. Paul's—Church, Rectory.
Foreman—Lot.
Forrest City—Good Shepherd—Church, Rectory.
Fort Smith—St. John's—Church, Rectory.
Helena—St. John's—Church, Rectory.
Hope—St. Mark's—Church.
Hot Springs—St. Luke's—Church.
Imboden—Lot.
Jonesboro—St. Mark's—Church.
Lake Village—Chapel
Little Rock—Trinity—Cathedral, Deanery.
 Christ—Church, Rectory.
 St. Philip's—Church, Rectory.
 St. Paul's—Chapel.
Lonoke—Lot.
Magazine—Lot.
Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's—Church, Rectory.
Marianna—St. Andrew's—Church, Rectory.
Mena—Christ—Chapel.
Morrilton—St. Agnes's—Church, Rectory.
Mount Magazine—Lot.
Nashville—Redeemer—Church.
Newport—St. Paul's—Church, Rectory.
Paragould—Lot.
Pine Bluff—Trinity—Church, Rectory.
Prescott—St. James's—Chapel.
Rocky Comfort—Lot.
Searcy—Trinity—Chapel.
Van Buren—Trinity—Church, Rectory.
Washington—Grace—Church, Rectory.
Winslow—Chapel.

ROLL OF PARISHES, MISSIONS AND DELEGATES.

(Those marked with star were present at the Council.)

BATESVILLE—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
J. Conway Fitzhugh.	Walter Baker.
H. S. Coleman.*	John Warner.
J. E. Rosebrough.	

CAMDEN—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Jos. A. Reeves.*	Orlin C. Reeves.
Jas. R. Young.	S. Q. Sevier.
P. Lynch Lee.	E. A. Shecker.

EUREKA SPRINGS—ST. JAMES'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Lafayette D. Fuller, M. D.	Christopher C. Kniser.
Geo. O. Senbarger.	C. T. Ellis.
John C. Cunningham.	Geo. Brown.

FAYETTEVILLE—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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FORREST CITY—GOOD SHEPHERD.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John Gatling.*	Ellis Turley.
Walter Gorman.	Dr. J. S. Jenkins.

FORT SMITH—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Ed F. Furner.*	

HELENA—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
P. O. Thweatt.	Hugh Martin.
S. S. Faulkner.*	N. F. Bruce.
Greenfield Quarles.	G. T. Updegraff.

HOPE—ST. MARK'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Judson T. West.	Samuel A. Knighton.
M. H. Barlow.	Isaac Bell.
Geo. R. Ruffin.	Charles Spraggins.

HOT SPRINGS—ST. LUKE'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
G. G. Latta.	J. P. Mellard.*
M. C. Tomblor.*	E. T. Penneck.

LITTLE ROCK—TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Delegates.	Alternates.
P. K. Roots.*	J. W. Beidelman.*
W. S. Mitchell.*	T. W. Yeakle.*
C. K. Lincoln.*	C. H. Yost.*

LITTLE ROCK—CHRIST CHURCH.

Delegates.	Alternate.
Jno. W. Goodwin.*	H. C. Rather.*
G. S. Brack.*	

MAMMOTH SPRING.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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MARIANNA—ST. ANDREW'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John M. Daggett.*	J. F. Rankin.
Dudley S. Clark.	W. T. Barnes.
F. Noel Burke.	F. H. Govan.

MORRILTON—ST. AGNES'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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NASHVILLE.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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NEWPORT—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Gustave Jones.	H. A. Ridley.
B. B. Bond.	Geo. W. Sexton.
J. T. Flynn.*	O. D. Watson.

PINE BLUFF—TRINITY.

Delegates.	Alternates.
N. B. Trulock	Geo. E. Valiant.*
Robt. E. Lee.	Horatio Riley.*
John R. Dilley.	Frank M. Roane.

VAN BUREN—TRINITY.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Sidney A. Pernot.	Henry C. Faber.*
Frank Anderson.	George Miller.

MISSIONS.

Arkansas City—Delegate.
Brinkley—Delegate.
Jonesboro—Delegate.
Little Rock, St. Philip's—Delegate.
Prescott—Delegate.
Rocky Comfort—Delegate.
Searcy—Delegate, John T. Hicks.*
Siloam Springs—Delegate.
Washington—Delegates, W. S. Eakin* and C. E. Ratcliff.

PREACHING STATIONS.

Argenta.	El Dorado	Ola.
Augusta.	Foreman.	Osceola.
Black Rock.	Fulton.	Ozan.
Booneville.	Gillham.	Paragould.
Charleston.	Gurdon.	Perla.
Clarendon.	Imboden.	Pocahontas.
Clover Bend.	Lake Village.	Pulaski Heights.
Conway.	Lonoke.	Rogers.
Dardanelle.	Magazine.	Stuttgart.
Des Arc.	Mena.	Warren.
Devall's Bluff	Monticello.	Wynne.
Dumas.		

Journal of Proceedings.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas convened at Christ Church, Little Rock, on Wednesday, May 8, 1901, at 10 a. m., and was opened by celebration of the Holy Communion, the Bishop being celebrant. Rev. C. H. Lockwood, of Helena, read the epistle, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, of Little Rock, the gospel, and the Very Rev. Percy J. Robottom preached an eloquent, interesting and most timely sermon from I Chronicles xii, 32: "The children of Issachar were men that had understanding of the times to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment." Has the Church, confronted by her present day surroundings, leaders who know how to lead? If so, the people are willing to follow.

After service the Council was called to order by the Bishop.

The Secretary called the Roll of Clergy, and the following were found present, to-wit:

(See Clergy list, page 5.)

The Bishop appointed as Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates, Revs. G. W. Norton, Arnoldus Miller and C. H. Lockwood.

Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

(See list, pages 7, 8 and 9.)

Mr. John M. Daggett was unanimously re-elected Secretary and the Council declared duly organized.

The Bishop appointed the Standing Committees as follows:

Ways and Means—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Mr. John T. Hicks.

Auditing and Finance—Mr. H. C. Rather, Mr. W. S. Mitchell. (Mr. John T. Hicks afterwards added.)

Admission of New Parishes—Rev. R. W. Rhames, Mr. Jos. A. Reeves, Mr. E. F. Furner.

Constitution and Canons—Chancellor W. G. Whipple, Rev. D. B. Ramsey, Rev. Percy J. Robottom, Mr. H. S. Coleman, Mr. Geo. G. Latta, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. Gustave Jones.

State of the Church—Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Archdeacon R. W. Rhames, Archdeacon W. D. Williams, D. D., Mr. P. K. Roots, Mr. N. B. Trulock.

Unfinished Business—Mr. John M. Daggett, Mr. Gustave Jones, Mr. Horatio Riley.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood the hours of meeting and adjournment of the Council were fixed as announced in the published programme arranged by the Bishop, 10 to 12 a. m.; 3 to 6 p. m.

The hour of noon having arrived the Bishop said prayers for missions and the Council took a recess till 3 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Council reconvened and was opened with the Apostles' Creed and prayers by the Bishop.

The Bishop read his third annual address.

(Appendix I.)

On motion of the Secretary the Bishop's recommendations in his address were referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. D. L. Trimble and Mr. Geo. E. Valiant.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese submitted through its president, Rev. C. H. Lockwood, the following report, which was approved:

May 3, 1900—The Standing Committee elected by the Twenty-eighth Annual Council met in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, and organized by electing the Rev. C. H. Lockwood president and the Rev. G. Gordon Smeade secretary.

June 13—At a meeting of the Standing Committee held in Little Rock, the testimonials of the Rev. A. A. Robertson, deacon, recommending him for ordination to the Priesthood, were received, and after careful examination he was unanimously recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood.

The testimonials of the Rev. Robert W. Barnwell, Bishop Coadjutor elect of the Diocese of Alabama, were received and unanimous consent given to his consecration.

October 9—At a meeting of the Standing Committee held in Little Rock consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. R. H. Weller, to be the Bishop Coadjutor of Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin.

On recommendation of the Bishop it was voted that the Council sit as a Board of Missions to-night at 8 o'clock to hear reports of the Board of Managers and Archdeacons; and the Committee on State of the Church be requested to submit its report at that time.

The Committee on State of the Church through Venerable R. W. Rhames reported that they had taken no action as a committee on report of list of Parishes and Missions organized at the beginning of the Bishop's Episcopate, and on motion the matter was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of the two Archdeacons and the Registrar.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner read his report as Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, and the same was referred to the Auditing and Finance Committee with directions to examine into the character and sufficiency of the securities.

On motion Mr. John T. Hicks was added to the Auditing and Finance Committee.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood that the Council approve a form of bond for the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, the following form, prepared by the Chancellor, was approved:

Know All Men By These Presents:

That we, ... as principal, and as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Arkansas, for the use and benefit of the Diocese of Arkansas, Protestant Episcopal Church, in the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents.

Signed and sealed this day of 1.....

WESTY-NINTH ANNUAL COUNCIL

... of this obligation is such: That whereas the
... was, on the day of 1...., chosen
... Permanent Episcopate Fund of the Diocese of Ar-
... term of one year from the day of 1...., and
... has accepted said trust, with all the duties
... pertaining thereunto:

Now, therefore, if the said Trustee as aforesaid, shall faithfully
... account for all the moneys, assets and effects of the
... Permanent Episcopate Fund of the Diocese of Arkansas, which
... come to his hands and possession, and shall in all respects
... perform all his official duties as said Trustee, then this
... to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and
... true.

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Attested by:

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Secretary.

The subject of Bishop's stipend was taken up, with rec-
ommendations of the Bishop, and after discussion the fol-
lowing resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Council that the payment
of the assessments for Bishop's salary be made a condition of admis-
sion of Lay Delegates to the Council, and that the Committee on Co-
stitution and Canons be directed to consider and report at 10:30
to-morrow what amendments of the Canons, if any, are required to
enforce this provision.

The Council proceeded to the election of the Standing
Committee of the Diocese, and the following nominations
were made:

Rev. W. D. Buckner.
Rev. C. H. Lockwood.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

Mr. Jos. A. Reeves.
Mr. P. K. Roots.

And they being the only nominees, the Secretary was
ordered to cast the unanimous vote of the Council for them,
which was done and they were declared duly and canonically
elected.



The following nominations were made for deputies to the General Convention:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Mr. John H. Rodgers.
Rev. C. H. Lockwood.	Mr. John T. Hicks.
Rev. Percy J. Robottom.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Mr. Jos. A. Reeves.
Rev. W. D. Williams.	Mr. Horatio Riley.
	Mr. John M. Daggett
	Mr. Morris C. Tomblor.

And the election made special order for to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock, after report of the Committee on Canons.

The Secretary read the following telegram:

Nashville, Tenn., May 8.

John M. Daggett, Secretary Episcopal Convention, The Cathedral, Little Rock, Ark.:

Convention of Tennessee sends cordial greetings to Convention of Arkansas.

ARTHUR HOWARD NOLL,
Secretary.

The Secretary was directed to wire acknowledgment and reciprocal greetings, and to wire the greetings of this Council to the Diocesan Convention of Mississippi assembled at Biloxi.

The Council adjourned till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary.

NIGHT SESSION.

Council met as a Board of Missions, and after Hymn 450, and shortened form of evening prayer and Hymn 253, the Board was called to order by the Bishop.

Rev. W. D. Buckner read the report of the Board of Managers.

(Appendix II.—Not handed to the Secretary.)

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade read the report of Committee on State of the Church.

(Appendix III.)

Hymn 252 was sung.

Venerable R. W. Rhames, Archdeacon of Eastern Arkansas, read his report.

(Appendix IV.)

Venerable W. D. Williams, Archdeacon of Western Arkansas, read his report.

(Appendix V.)

Hymn No. 250 was sung.

The Bishop addressed the Board on the "Outlook of the Anglican Communion and its American Branch."

After singing Hymn 491 the Board dissolved.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

May 9, 1901.

Morning prayer was said by Rev. J. B. Whaling, the Rev. J. J. Cornish reading the lesson.

After prayer the Council was called to order by the Bishop.

Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Rev. Dr. John H. Dye, superintendent, was invited to a seat on the floor of the Council, and extended an invitation to the Council to visit the Blind Asylum at such hour as may be convenient.

Major P. K. Roots submitted his reports as Diocesan Treasurer and Treasurer of the Bishop's Salary Fund, and Trustee of the Fund for the Aged and Infirm Clergy, which were referred to the Committee on Auditing and Finance.

Committee on New Parishes submitted the following report:

Committee on New Parishes respectfully report that canonical application for recognition as organized Missions were received and approved by the Bishop, one from "Trinity Mission," Searcy, and one from "Ascension Mission," Arkansas City.

R. W. RHAMES,
E. F. FURNER,
JOS. A. REEVES,
Committee.

The report was approved, and the Missions were received into union with the Council as organized Missions.

The following resolution of the Archdeacons was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the plan of raising Diocesan Funds by Life Insurance Endowment be and is hereby heartily indorsed by this Council.

R. W. RHAMES,
W. D. WILLIAMS.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons submitted the following report:

Whereas, The method of collecting the salary of the Bishop, provided by the articles designed for that purpose by the Special Council of 1897, as amended by the Annual Council of 1899, has proven unsatisfactory and inadequate, and a more effective system of raising the Bishop's salary is necessary, therefore, be it

Resolved, First. It is the true sense and meaning of the phrase, "Current Expenses," where it occurs in section 2 of the Canons, and in article 4, sub-division 5 of the Constitution, that it shall be taken to include the salary of the Bishop of the Diocese and the assessments therefor made by the Council from time to time upon the Parishes and Missions.

Second. The articles providing for the salary of the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Arkansas, as adopted by the Special Council of 1897, and amended by the Annual Council of 1899, be and the same are hereby repealed and set aside.

Third. At each Annual Council an assessment shall be made by the Committee of Ways and Means upon the several Parishes and Missions of an amount sufficient to pay the annual salary of the Bishop, which salary shall be at least fifteen hundred dollars. This assessment, as well as all other assessments for current expenses of the Diocese provided for in said Canon 2, shall be assessed upon each Parish and Mission in proportion to the current expenses of said Parish or Mission, which current expenses shall include minister's salary and expenses of music, light, heating, sexton and insurance.

Fourth. These assessments for current expense, of the Diocese above provided for, shall be paid by each Parish and Mission quarterly and transmitted in quarterly installments on the first days of August, November, February and May of each year to the Treasurer of the Diocese, who shall execute receipts therefor.

Fifth. The Treasurer of the Diocese, at least thirty days before the quarterly payments shall become due, shall notify, by circular letter or otherwise, the vestry of each Parish and Mission of the amount of the assessment and the time when payable.

The report was adopted.

The special order of election of deputies to the General Convention having been reached, the Bishop appointed Rev. J. J. Cornish and Rev. Arnoldus Miller as Clerical Tellers; and Mr. H. C. Faber and Mr. C. K. Lincoln as Lay Tellers, and the Council proceeded to elect by ballot.

The election resulted as follows:

Clerical Deputies.	Alternates.
Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D.	Rev. Percy J. Robottom.
Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D.	Rev. R. W. Rhames.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Rev. A. A. Robertson.
Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D.
Lay Deputies.	Alternates.
P. K. Roots.	John M. Daggett.
Jos. A. Reeves.	N. B. Trulock.
John H. Rodgers.	Morris C. Tomblor.
John T. Hicks.	H. C. Rather.

On invitation of Rev. C. H. Lockwood, it was

Resolved. That the Council meet at St. John's Parish, Helena, on second Wednesday of May (14th), 1902.

Resolved. That the delegates to the Council of 1902 go to Helena prepared to stay over Sunday.

On motion of Rev. R. W. Rhames, the Council voted to visit the Blind Asylum at 5 p. m. to-morrow, and Rev. Mr. Rhames was requested so to inform the superintendent.

On motion of Rev. W. D. Buckner, it was voted that an additional Standing Committee of the Council, to be known as the Committee on Episcopal Residence Fund, be appointed.

The hour of noon having arrived, after missionary prayers said by the Bishop, the Council took a recess until 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council was called to order by the Bishop, who delivered his first triennial charge and pastoral letter to the Clergy and Laity.

(Appendix VI.)

Archdeacon Rhames submitted the following resolution, seconded by Archdeacon Williams:

Whereas, The whole subject of education is of vital importance to the life and growth of the Church, and

Whereas, Every Diocese, as an integral part of the Church, ought to encourage the best education and seek to direct it along lines that will lead the young to become good Christians and intelligent church members, and

Whereas, The time has come when this Diocese should prepare to do its duty in meeting this responsibility, therefore be it

Resolved. That this Council establish a Standing Committee of five, consisting of one Clergyman, to be appointed by the Bishop, and one Clergyman and three Laymen to be elected by the Council, and the Committee on Constitution and Canons is directed to report a Canon providing for their annual election and their duties.

The resolution was adopted.

Committee on Distribution of Bishop's Address reported that the first of the Bishop's recommendations, relating to the Bishop's stipend, had already been disposed of by the Council.

They recommend that the second be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

That the third be referred to the Committee on State of the Church.

That the fourth be referred to the Registrar and Committee on Ways and Means with power to act.

That the fifth be referred to a Special Committee, Rev. C. H. Lockwood and the two Archdeacons.

That the sixth be adopted.

The sixth recommendation of the Bishop was adopted, *to-wit:* That the Dardanelle church property be struck off from the list of special offerings recommended by the Council, and that the American Church Building Fund Commission be substituted for it.

Committee on Constitution and Canons reported that on the second recommendation of the Bishop, no action is necessary; the supposed change in the Canon having failed of adoption.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons on the amendment to section 67, laid over from last Council, reported as follows:

Amend section 67 by substituting for the words "male communicants," the words "confirmed members of the church," and by adding after the words "Junior Warden" the following: "Provided that by consent of the Bishop other persons than confirmed members may be chosen vestrymen."

Rev. R. W. Rhames offered the following substitute:

Change "male communicants;" to "baptized males," and after the words "Junior Warden" in the sixth line insert the words "both of whom shall be communicants."

The question recurring upon the substitute offered by Rev. Mr. Rhames, a vote by orders was called for by Mr. S. S. Faulkner, and on call of the Roll of Clergy, the vote was ayes 10, noes 3; and on call of the Roll of Parishes, the vote was ayes 6, noes 3; and the substitute offered by Mr. Rhames being adopted by two-thirds vote of each order, the Canon was declared amended accordingly.

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

To the Bishop and Members of the Diocesan Council of Arkansas:

We, your Examining and Auditing Committee, beg to report that we have examined and checked the following accounts: Diocesan Fund, Disabled Clergy Fund, Bishop's Salary, Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, and have found the same to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER,
W. S. MITCHELL,
JOHN T. HICKS,

Committee.

(Diocesan Fund, Appendix VII.)

(Disabled Clergy Fund, Appendix VIII.)

(Bishop's Salary, Appendix IX.)

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Little Rock, Ark., May 9, 1901.

To the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, Bishop, and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

Brethren—Your committee to whom was given instructions to examine the report of the Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, and report, especially, as to the value of the securities now held by him as such Trustee, beg leave to report that all papers and documents submitted with the report of said Trustee have been examined and that the account of receipts and disbursements since his last annual report is correct.

As to the value of the securities, your committee states that upon personal examination, and from inquiry of reliable parties, now citizens of this city, formerly citizens of Helena, who are familiar with the financial status of the persons indebted to the Episcopate Fund, and who are also familiar with the value of said securities, we are of the opinion that the values set forth in the report are correct. Your committee has had no opportunity, within the limited time allowed, to make examination of the book-value of the Building and Loan stocks now held by the Trustee, but in view of the number of payments made as set forth in the pass books submitted to your committee, and in view, also, of the experience usual in cases of well managed Building and Loan Associations in a thriving and prosperous town such as the city of Helena; and in view also of the well known business ability of the Trustee, we feel justified in saying that the values of the Building and Loan stocks set forth in the report are correct.

The earning capacity of these securities appears to be entirely satisfactory, considering the amount involved, and the current rate of interest usually paid at this time. We think that the net income of 8 1-3 per cent must be the result of diligent effort on the part of the Trustee.

We, therefore, recommend that the report already submitted be in all things approved, and that the thanks of the Council be tendered to the Trustee for his diligence and faithfulness in this behalf.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER,
W. S. MITCHELL, } Committee.
JOHN T. HICKS, }

(Episcopate Fund. Appendix X.)

On motion of Mr. John T. Hicks, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved. That the instructions given at the last session, inhibiting the investment in Building and Loan stocks, be and the same is hereby revoked, and the Trustee is vested with discretion in the premises.

The Council proceeded with the election of officers.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner was unanimously re-elected Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund.

Mr. P. K. Roots was unanimously re-elected Diocesan Treasurer, and Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, and Trustee of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood on behalf of the trustees, University of the South, submitted a report, and announced that of the \$100 assessment on this Diocese for the Theological Department, he had received offerings amounting to \$48. Pledges were given by various Parishes to cover the deficiency.

It being made known to the Council that the superintendent of the Blind Asylum could not receive the Council to-morrow, on motion of Rev. Mr. Sineade the Secretary was directed to address a letter to Dr. Dye, thanking him for his courteous invitation.

The Council adjourned till to-morrow morning immediately after the close of the opening services of the Woman's Auxiliary.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

May 10, 1901.

Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop; Rev. R. W. Rhames read the epistle and Rev. G. Gordon Sineade the gospel.

Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

After service the Council was called to order and the Bishop made the following appointment:

THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE COMMITTEE.

Since the gratifying action of the Council providing for the appointment of a committee whose duty it shall be to set on foot measures for the securing of an Episcopal home for the Diocese of Arkansas, I have been somewhat embarrassed by the indefi-

niteness of the resolution respecting the location of the residence. Little Rock is, all things considered, undoubtedly the most eligible place for it, but there are other places where the Bishop could live with the same comfort and do his work with almost, if not quite, with equal convenience. This is true of the following places in the order mentioned: Hot Springs, Fort Smith, Pine Bluff, and with improved railway connections, which are sure to come in the near future, it would be true of Helena. In view of my uncertainty concerning the mind of the Council as to the location of the contemplated Episcopal residence, I will appoint on the committee the Rectors and Senior Wardens of the churches of Little Rock, Hot Springs, Fort Smith, Pine Bluff and Helena. Even if the location had been specified in the resolution which has afforded me so much gratification no better committee could be fixed upon and, therefore I am certain that it will be satisfactory to all concerned.

In order to encourage the Council and committee to immediate action, I want to make the following statement and proposition: The lease on the little cottage in which I am living expires on October 1, 1903. If you will fix upon my choice of locations and have a house, the plans of which have been approved by me, ready for occupation by that date, I will pay rent for it at the rate of \$50 per month for five years.

Rev. D. L. Trimble moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment to Canon I, section 67, was adopted on yesterday. Chancellor Whipple seconded the motion. The motion to reconsider was lost.

Rev. W. D. Buckner moved the further amendment of section 67 of the Canons by inserting after the words "baptized males," as heretofore amended, the words "of lawful age." The motion was carried unanimously and the amendment declared canonically adopted.

Rev. R. W. Rhames nominated as members of the Committee on Education; Rev. Arnoldus Miller as the clerical member, and Messrs. N. B. Trulock, John T. Hicks and P. K. Roots, lay members. The nominees were unanimously elected.

The Bishop appointed Venerable R. W. Rhames the other clerical member of that committee.

The Council proceeded with election of officers.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood was unanimously elected Clerical Trustee, and Mr. H. C. Rather Lay Trustee, University of the South, for the term expiring 1904.

Mr. Fay Hempstead was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

Mr. John Gatling and Mr. Gustave Jones were unanimously re-elected members of the Committee on Judiciary.

Rev. A. A. Robertson was elected preacher of the next Council sermon and Rev. J. J. Cornish alternate.

Rev. J. J. Vaulx was unanimously re-elected Trustee of the General Theological Seminary for term ending 1904.

The Registrar of the Diocese, Mr. Fay Hempstead, presented the following report, which was received and ordered printed in the minutes, to-wit:

REPORT OF REGISTRAR.

To the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, Bishop, and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

Brethren—In compliance with the Canons of our Church, requiring the Registrar of the Diocese to submit annually a report to the Council, I have the honor herewith to make the following as my report:

In endeavoring to follow out the directions of the Canon in question, I procured a suitable record book and have set apart therein a sufficient amount of space for each Parish and Mission for the entry of items connected therewith. As yet but few items have been communicated to the Registrar's office for such entries. I would suggest to the Clergy in their respective Parishes and Mission fields the desirability of their procuring a statement of the date of the organization of such Parish or Mission, a description of the property owned therein, from whom title is derived, date of deed, the pages of the record books wherein deeds to same are recorded, the date of building of the church, chapel or rectory thereon, and forwarding the same to the Registrar's office for entry in the place in the record book assigned to such Parish or Mission. Indeed it would no doubt form an interesting feature, particularly in the older fields, if the rector would prepare a sermon or address, historical in its nature, giving an account of the career and progress of his particular Parish; with mention of brethren of the Clergy who had at previous times officiated therein, and after delivery before his congregation transmitting the same to the Registrar's office for preservation among the church archives, or for entry in the record.

Up to this time there has not been a large accumulation of valuable papers, such as deeds, contracts, and the like; which is perhaps a fortunate circumstance as the Registrar's office is not provided with any means of safe keeping thereof, but as time goes on there is likely to be more of them, and the procuring of

some place of keeping them is a matter of prime necessity. In this connection the recommendation of the Right Reverend Bishop that a place of deposit in some safety deposit vault be procured is exceedingly timely, and should be taken in hand by this Council.

There is in the hands of my predecessor in office, Brother C. T. Coffman, a great quantity of the reports and proceedings from other Dioceses, that constitute the accumulation of thirty years. They are unclassified and are stored in boxes that occupy the most of a good-sized room. I have not received them from him for the reason that the Registrar's office has no place in which to store them. I know of no place that could be made available for this purpose better than one of the unoccupied rooms in the tower of Trinity Cathedral, and make this suggestion as to them for the benefit of whomsoever this Council may delegate to take the subject in hand.

Fraternally submitted,
FAY HEMPSTEAD,
Registrar.

The report was adopted.

Archdeacon Williams and Rev. G. B. Norton having, at request of the Bishop, had the subject of Clergy Relief under consideration, submitted the following:

Whereas, This Diocese has for many years realized the urgent need of providing pecuniary relief for aged and disabled Clergy and the widows and orphans of deceased Clergy, and

Whereas, The General Clergy Relief of the whole Church is prepared to encourage any movement looking to the merging of all Diocesan funds of the several Dioceses with the general fund of the Church; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to examine this matter with reference to the best methods of associating our funds with those of the general society, and that their report be presented to the next Council.

The report was adopted, and Venerable W. D. Williams, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade and Mr. P. K. Roots were appointed on that committee. And in this connection the Secretary asked leave at request of the Financial Agent of the "General Clergy Relief Fund" to publish its card on a page of the cover of the journal, which was granted.

Rev. W. D. Buckner was appointed a committee to convey to the Daughters of the King of Christ Church and Trinity Cathedral a resolution of thanks of this Council for the lovely reception and entertainment given by them on Thursday evening.

The Committee on Increase of Diocesan Fund for the support of the Theological Department of the University of the South, beg leave to report that the committee met and issued a circular letter to the Clergy of the Diocese, which resulted in a gratifying increase of the fund.

J. PERCY ROBOTTON,

Chairman.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved. That a rising vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. W. A. Cantrell for the gift of the remainder of the first edition of "Annals of Christ Church," consisting of 250 copies, in behalf of the Board of Managers of Diocesan Missions.

R. W. RHAMES,

G. GORDON SMEADE.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved. That the Treasurer pay the Secretary an *honorarium* of \$75 for his services.

Resolved. That the Treasurer pay the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund \$89.66 interest on the note of the Diocese to that fund.

Resolved. That the Treasurer pay the sexton of Christ Church \$5 for services during the session of the Council.

Resolved. That the Secretary have printed in pamphlet form 200 copies of the Constitution and Canons, and Standing Resolutions of the Diocese for use of the Council and the Diocesan and Parish officers.

Resolved. That after the adjournment of the next General Convention, the Secretary prepare and have printed 500 blank Parochial reports in conformity with the General Canons of the Church and the Canons of the Diocese as amended.

The Council resolved itself into a Board of Missions for the purpose of electing a Board of Managers.

The old Board was put in nomination, and there being no other nominations, the Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the Board for the nominees, which was done, to-wit: Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. W. D. Buckner, Mr. N. B. Trulock, Mr. H. C. Rather, Mr. John Gatling, who were declared duly and canonically elected.

The Board of Missions was dissolved, and the Council resumed its session.

An engrossed copy of the resolution of the Diocesan Convention of Tennessee, 1900, to the memory of Bishop Pierce of Arkansas, and Bishop Neely, of Maine, and the

Coadjutor Bishops Gilbert, of Minnesota, and Jackson, of Alabama, sent officially to the Secretary, was read and placed in custody of the Registrar.

The noon hour having arrived, prayers for missions were said by Archdeacon Williams, and the Council took a recess till 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Council was called to order by the Bishop.

The Committee on State of the Church, to whom was referred the third recommendation of the Bishop, to-wit: That the Council offer two prizes of \$50 and \$25 respectively for the best and second best historical sketch of the Church in the Diocese of Arkansas, reported that it would be inexpedient at this Council.

The report was adopted.

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report:

To the Bishop and Members of the Twenty-ninth Diocesan Council of Arkansas:

I have, as Auditor, examined the account of Bishop Brown's Arkansas Chapel and Rectory Building Fund, and find the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER,

Auditor.

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade read a letter offering a certain piece of property at Little Rock for an Episcopal residence at a specified price and on specified terms.

Rev. W. D. Buckner moved that the Episcopal residence be located at Little Rock, and that in lieu of the committee appointed by the Bishop, there be appointed a committee consisting of two Clergy, nominated by the Bishop, and three Laymen, W. G. Whipple, H. C. Rather and H. K. Cochran.

The Bishop nominated Rev. W. D. Buckner and Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, and the motion was adopted.

On motion of the Secretary, it was

Resolved. That the Committee on Episcopal Residence have full power to act with the approval of the Bishop and Standing Committee.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood submitted the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

That the Council has learned that it is the desire of the Bishop, owing to ill health, to absent himself from the Diocese for several months to take a much needed rest in order that he may be able to take up the great work of the Diocese in the fall, and to carry it forward with his usual strength and vigor.

Resolved. That the Council urge the Bishop to carry out his desire, and to go at his earliest possible convenience; that the members of the Council, in their several fields, pledge him not only to do all in their power to keep up the work of the Diocese, but they pray, and will continue to pray most earnestly, that God's blessing go with him, that he may be restored to health and strength, and to a work that needs his timely care and Episcopal oversight to make it one of the strongest in the group of Dioceses in the great Southwest.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved. That the Secretary have 500 copies of the Journal printed and distributed in the usual manner.

Resolved. That the thanks of the Council be tendered to the railroads of the State for courtesies extended to the delegates to the Council and the Woman's Auxillary.

Resolved. That the thanks of the Council be tendered to the members of the Parishes of Christ Church and Trinity Cathedral for entertainment of the delegates at this Council.

Resolved. That with consent of the Bishop and Trinity Cathedral Chapter, the Registrar be instructed to store the journals, pamphlets and other like property in his charge in one of the vacant rooms at the Cathedral.

Committee on Ways and Means reported as follows:

(Appendix XI.)

Report was adopted.

Approval of the minutes of to-day's proceedings was left to the Bishop and Secretary.

REMARKS OF THE BISHOP AT THE CLOSE OF
THE COUNCIL.

I desire to close this Council with a very few words of exhortation.

1. And first let me exhort you to remember this the Twenty-ninth Council as a pattern for all future Councils of our Diocese. It has been an exceedingly pleasant and profitable Council, and it will do much in many ways to promote the welfare of the Church we love so dearly and for which we have such bright hopes.

2. I request and exhort that our rectors and vestries see to it that the income of the Episcopate is not touched this year. I say this year because I believe that if we get through once without relying on it for assistance it will be much easier from that on.

3. Don't let the Bishop's residence movement stop short of much progress from year to year. When it has been secured and paid for, it will be the equivalent of at least \$10,000 addition to the endowment of the Episcopate.

4. See that your congregations send to the Treasurer of our Diocesan Missionary Society \$1,000 without counting the specials raised by the Archdeacons and myself. We nearly accomplished this last year; we can easily do it this time. The general adoption and systematic operation of the Church Extension subscription scheme is all that is necessary to secure this highly desirable end.

5. Three hundred and eight persons have been confirmed within the last Council year. This is the best showing in respect to confirmations in the history of the Diocese. Let us by God's blessing upon our efforts make the number 500. If the Laity will co-operate with the Clergy it can be done.

And now (all standing) may the God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis was sung, and the Council adjourned *sine die*.

WM. M. BROWN,

Bishop of Arkansas.

Attest:

JOHN M. DAGGETT,

Secretary.

APPENDIX I.

THIRD ADDRESS TO THE ANNUAL COUNCIL OF
THE DIOCESE.

By the Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop of
Arkansas.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

It is my great privilege to welcome you to this Twenty-ninth Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas. I am deeply grateful to Almighty God for the strength to do this. During much of the time since about the 20th of October, when I was overtaken by the most serious illness of my life, which for several months almost wholly incapacitated me for work, and from which I am still far from well, I have feared that I might not be permitted to attend this Council. But I am thankful to say that of late I have been slowly but surely recovering my strength so that I am encouraged to hope that, with the help of your considerate indulgence of my weakness, and with the presence of the president of the Standing Committee to afford me occasional relief from the strain of presiding, I shall get through very comfortably.

It is desirable for your satisfaction and as a matter of record that I should make this reference to the unfortunate condition of my health, for otherwise the comparatively meager showing of work done by me this year might not be understood.

At the beginning of my sickness all medical advice recommended complete rest and change of environment for at least three months, and insisted that it would be perilous to continue at the rate I had been going about my work. It seemed to be next to impossible for me to give up altogether, but I did get rid of everything I could. But though I regret that I have been permitted to accomplish so little of what I planned at the commencement of the Council year just passed, I am happy to say that I have succeeded in maintaining our missionary organization which has done much more in the way of developing the Diocese than I could have done without it, even if I had been blessed with the best of health. Your Missionary Bishop has been comparatively inactive, but your two Missionary Archdeacons have been as active as ever.

Not only have I kept the Archdeacons in the field and made it financially possible for them to do the building and make the advances that will be reported in other connection, but, chiefly as the result of God's blessing upon my intermittent and feeble efforts, all our missionary operations have been carried through

without a cent of indebtedness, and I think that I can see my way clear financially through at least the Council year upon which we are now entering.

I can therefore now take the prescribed rest and change, and I hope that you all will be willing that I should begin to do so immediately upon the adjournment of this Council. My idea, to use a current phrase, is "to close up shop" altogether until November, and after that until the next Council, to do only that which cannot be done by others for me. I am encouraged to hope that if I will pursue this course I will recover my strength and normal working capacity by the end of this year, so that after the next Council I can go ahead very much as before.

NECROLOGY.

Within the past Council year, two of the Bishops of our branch of the Church of God have gone to their rest in Paradise, namely, the Rt. Rev. Charles Reuben Hale, D. D., LL. D., Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Springfield, and the Rt. Rev. William Morris Barker, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Olympia.

In the years of their consecration both of these prelates were among the younger Bishops of the American Church.

The Coadjutor Bishop of Springfield was greatly distinguished for his learning, especially in the early liturgies of the Christian religion, and for his interest in the Greek Church. Our beloved Bishop Pierce and Bishop Hale had much in common and naturally enjoyed each other's society greatly.

The Bishop of Olympia died in the prime of life very suddenly. He was a zealous and able worker in a far away and difficult missionary district.

This section of my address would not be complete without some reference to the death of the most illustrious Lay woman of the Anglican Communion, Alexandrina Victoria, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India.

Following the example of many of our Bishops and rectors throughout the English-speaking world, I arranged for a memorial service, which was held in the Cathedral on Sunday, February 10, at 3 p. m. On this occasion the Cathedral was thrown open to the public. The Clergy of the various bodies of Christians were invited to occupy seats in the Chancel with me, and two of our four speakers were Laymen.

The people appreciated the undenominational opportunity offered them to pay their tribute of respect to the great Queen, and to thank God for the good example and results of her life. It is estimated that there were fully twelve hundred persons in the congregation.

I will ask the president of our Standing Committee, the Rev. Mr. Lockwood, to now lead us in prayer, while we offer thanksgiving to the Author of all Goodness for the good example; and works of these leaders in the Church Militant.

PROGRESS.

The Council will rejoice and thank God with me for the fact that there has been during the year just closed, no going backwards on the part of any of our self-supporting congregations, of which there are at this time seven, namely, Christ Church, Little Rock; St. John's Church, Helena; St. John's Church, Fort Smith; Trinity Church, Pine Bluff; St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs; Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock; and St. Paul's Church, Newport. All of these Parishes have more than held their own, and the majority of them have made splendid advances.

The payment of the large and long standing debt by the Mother Church of the Diocese, Christ Church, Little Rock, is in itself sufficient to justify an interruption of the proceedings of this Council for the singing of the *Te Deum Laudamus*.

Most interesting arrangements have been completed for the consecration of this happy congregation's imposing and durable place of worship on Sunday next, which will be a red letter day in the history of the Diocese. The following invitation has been sent to all the Clergy of Arkansas and delegates to this Council.

The Rector, Warden, and Vestrymen cordially invite you to be present at the consecration of Christ Church, Little Rock, Ark., on Sunday, May 12, 1901. The sermon will be preached by the Rt. Rev. Thomas Frank Gailor, D. D. LL. D. The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rector, Little Rock, Ark.

I hope that all of the Clergy and many of the Lay delegates have been able to arrange for the acceptance of this generous and attractive invitation. Let us attend the consecration and by our presence show the good people of Christ Church that every part of the Diocese in Arkansas rejoices with them.

As an additional inducement to our brethren to remain for this great event in the history of the Diocese let me assure them that it is worth a week of anybody's time to have the opportunity to hear Bishop Gailor on the three occasions when he is to speak on that day.

There has been a very marked improvement in the attendance and income of the Cathedral congregation. The debt has been paid off on the Deanery and extensive additions and repairs made. The money is in hand, or in view, for a much-needed new roof to the Cathedral, and also for other necessary repairs.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, has the money in hand for the building of a fine rectory. The Rector and his helpers have started a flourishing Mission in a growing suburb, and it is expected that a chapel will be built within the present Council year.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, has made much progress towards the completion of its beautiful church and the payment of its debt. An effort is to be made to have the church completed and ready for consecration by next Easter.

The Mission Parishes have also without exception been doing well. They are St. Paul's Church, Batesville; St. John's Church, Cam-

den; St. James's Church, Eureka Springs; St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville; Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City; St. Mark's Church, Hope; St. Andrew's Church, Mammoth Spring; St. Andrew's Church, Marianna; St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton; Church of the Redeemer, Nashville; Trinity Church, Van Buren.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, and Trinity Church, Van Buren, are rapidly approaching a self-supporting condition.

The Batesville people have built a fine rectory, costing \$1,500, upon which there is no indebtedness.

The work at Van Buren has in all respects been highly satisfactory. The congregations have been increasing, a vested choir has been organized and money is in hand for a necessary addition to the vestry room, for a sidewalk, fence and other improvements.

The little flock at Washington has removed its church to a much better location, and put it in excellent repair.

The most notable progress has of course been made in the newer and less developed portions of our great and increasingly promising mission field. I doubt whether any Diocese or missionary jurisdiction in the land can make a better showing than Arkansas for the past twelve months.

The rapidity and highly satisfactory character of our Church Extension work will appear from the fact that within the Council year just closed, I have consecrated or blessed chapels at Searcy, Arkansas City, Brinkley, Jonesboro, Mena, Mammoth Spring, and Monticello. Seven in all.

These buildings with their lots, which in all cases are desirable pieces of property, are worth, on an average at a low valuation, \$1,500, and there is not a cent of debt on any of them.

There is a beautiful chapel at Lake Village nearly ready for occupation, and others are in course of construction at Rocky Comfort, Foreman and Booneville. At Conway we have purchased the old Methodist Church property, worth at least \$1,200, for \$400, and we see our way perfectly clear to pay for all these.

The reports of our most competent and indefatigable Archdeacons will contain details of many lesser missionary operations, which in the aggregate are very important. It will appear from their reports that they have raised from the people among whom they have been recently planting the Church, fully \$10,000.

You will readily understand that the accomplishment of such results in Arkansas, under existing financial conditions, indicates a great deal of enthusiasm, very much the same kind and degree of enthusiasm that was manifested by the Christians of Apostolic times, and of the first centuries.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

I want to call attention of the Clergy to the importance of sending their Parochial reports to me at least four or five days before the Council. This year I did not see a single report until yesterday, and then they were given to the Secretary instead of to

me. If they are not sent in before the Council they might as well be handed to the Secretary as to me; but I ought to have them in time for the use of the data they contain, in the writing of my Council Address. To show the importance of my having these reports in time I need only call attention to the fact that in speaking of the accomplishments of our self-supporting Parishes, I omitted the most notable of all, namely, that of St. John's Church, Helena. That Parish, which has long been noted as the leader of the Diocese in contributions for outside purposes, has done better than ever this year, its collections for non-Parochial objects having reached the large sum of \$862.46.

ACCESSIONS TO OUR MINISTERIAL FORCE.

I take pleasure in announcing the following accessions within the last Council year to the ministerial force of Arkansas:

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, D. D., from the Diocese of Colorado, who, on September 1, took up the work of the missionary district of Searcy, which includes Brinkley, Devall's Bluff, and one or two other points.

The Rev. J. C. Waring, M. D., from the Diocese of South Carolina, who, on Sunday, October 1, 1900, became assistant minister of Christ Church, Little Rock, and city missionary in charge of the work at St. Paul's Chapel and Argenta.

The Rev. W. P. Browne, who came to us from the Diocese of Louisiana, and on October 15 took charge of the missionary district of Jonesboro.

The Rev. Arnoldus Miller, M. A., from the missionary jurisdiction of Salt Lake, who, on Sunday, January 13, became assistant minister of Christ Church, Little Rock, and city missionary. Since then he has conducted services regularly on Sundays in the morning at Pulaski Heights, in the afternoon at Argenta, and in the evening at St. Paul's Chapel, Little Rock.

The Rev. J. J. Cornish, who came to us from the Diocese of Kentucky and on March 1 took charge of the missionary Parishes of St. Andrew's, Marianna, and Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

The Rev. Ephraim Watt, M. A., who came to us from the Diocese of Southern Ohio and on Sunday, March 3, took charge of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.

On Septuagesima Sunday, February 3, the Rev. Percy J. Robotton, rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport, took up the work at the Cathedral as Dean.

During his summer vacation of two months, the Rev. Dr. Fenn, of the Diocese of Dallas, by a special arrangement, took charge of Trinity Mission, Eureka Springs.

By a special arrangement with the Bishop of West Missouri, St. Andrew's Mission, Mammoth Spring, has been associated with the Missionary circuit of West Plains, Mo., and the Rev. Edmund A. Neville took charge of the work on May 1, 1900.

Our working force has also been increased by the addition of Mr. S. R. McAlpin, who, as Lay Reader, under the direction of Archdeacon Williams, on November 11, took charge of the missionary district of Mena. Mr. McAlpin came to us from the Diocese of Newark, and is a Postulant for Holy Orders.

The Rev. R. Heber Hoskin, of the Diocese of Michigan, and the Rev. J. D. Simmons, of the Diocese of Newark, spent a short time respectively at Eureka Springs and Little Rock, but neither of them took root. The "here to-day and gone to-morrow men" with whom we are having altogether too much experience is certainly one strong reason why we should lose no time in raising up a native ministry.

CHANGES IN OUR CLERICAL FORCE.

The Rev. Mr. Damer, who was in charge of the associated Missions of St. Mark's, Hope; Grace Church, Washington, and Church of the Redeemer, Nashville, left the Diocese on July 10.

The Rev. A. W. Pierce, who had been in charge of the Cathedral, gave up the work and became a non-Parochial Clergyman of this Diocese on September 30.

The Rev. E. L. Kemp, Rector of the Associated Mission Parishes of St. Andrew's, Marianna, and Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, left the Diocese on December 31.

The Rev. J. C. Waring, M. D., the assistant minister of Christ Church, Little Rock, and city missionary, left the Diocese on January 1.

The Rev. Percy J. Robottom, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport, resigned on February 1, in order to take up work at the Cathedral.

The Rev. W. P. Browne, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, left the Diocese on May 6.

The Rev. R. S. James, D. D., LL. D., on March 10, at an age much in excess of three score and ten, resigned the rectorship of St. James's Church, Eureka Springs, owing to physical disability. He will devote himself hereafter to literary labors, for which he has always exhibited particular ability and taste. Although afflicted with a paralytic stroke which threatened his life in December, he has by the goodness of our Heavenly Father, and with tenderest nursing, recuperated to the extent of being able to move about the house and to go out a little on pleasant days. His interest in current events is without abatement and his prayerful desire is that Zion may be prospered.

Trinity Mission, Eureka Springs, after deeding their property to the Bishop, voted magnanimously to unite with the Parish of St. James's. Their property is upon the principal street and without encumbrance. With this consolidation of our people in that active and growing city we are in condition to do united and aggressive work for the Master.



In addition to receiving title to the above property, we have redeemed, for the Parish of St. James's, a forty-acre tract of land three and a half miles east of Eureka Springs, which was forfeited to the State in 1895.

LETTERS DIMISSORY RECEIVED.

I have received and accepted from the Bishop of Connecticut a Letter Dimissory in due form, bearing date May 11, 1900, in favor of the Rev. Lawrence S. Shermer, Rector of St. Paul's Missionary Parish, Batesville.

I have received and accepted from the Bishop of Pittsburg a Letter Dimissory in due form, bearing date September 29, 1899, in favor of the Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, Rector of Trinity Parish, Van Buren.

I have received and accepted from the Bishop of Southern Ohio a Letter Dimissory in due form, bearing date March 4, 1901, in favor of the Rev. Ephraim Watt, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.

I have received and accepted from the Bishop of Kentucky a Letter Dimissory in due form, bearing date February 7, 1901, in favor of the Rev. J. J. Cornish, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, and Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

LAY READERS.

In the course of the year, I have issued Lay Readers' licenses to the following persons:

Mr. Charles D. James, of St. James's Parish, Eureka Springs.

Mr. S. R. McAlpin, of Christ Chapel Mission Station, Mena.

Mr. William Williams, of Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

Mr. James has returned his license. The other licenses will expire on January 1, 1902.

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

In the course of the past year, I have found it necessary to try to make provision for the support of an aged and infirm Clergyman, the Rev. Dr. James, to the amount of \$300 per year. The income of our endowment fund for this purpose does not much exceed \$50 per year. It was therefore necessary for me to devise some means for securing an additional \$250 annually. After due consideration, I sent the following letter to all our Parochial Clergy and also to the Lay officers of our several Parishes and Mission Stations and to the delegates to the last Annual Council of the Diocese:

Galion, Ohio, August 1, 1900.

I write in the hope that you will be so good as to help me by a subscription of 25 cent; per month to fulfill the condition upon which the Rev. Richard S. James, LL. D., Rector of St. James's Church, Eureka Springs, Ark., is willing to resign that

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rectorship and leave the way clear for the coming together the people of St. James's Parish and Trinity Mission, thus removing a long standing reproach to the Church in that community and forming a comparatively strong congregation which will come an important missionary center in a very interesting rapidly developing section of the State.

Even if these highly desirable results were not in view, the fact that Dr. James is an aged Clergyman, who has not the health or strength to enable him to continue work, and is without means of support for himself and wife in their closing years should induce the Clergy and Laity of Arkansas to help to contribute with his request that I try to secure for him \$25 per month \$300 per year. Surely none will argue that this is asking much.

If I can induce 100 persons to give me 25 cents per month to be paid in quarterly installments, the money will be forthcoming, several highly desirable results will be accomplished. Will be one of the 100?

If happily there should be any surplus as the result of receiving more than 100 pledges, it will be turned over to Treasurer of the Arkansas Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy.

Hoping for a favorable reply, I am,

Very cordially yours

WM. M. BROWN,
Bishop of Arkansas

With this letter I inclosed a pledge which reads:

A pledge to the Arkansas Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.
Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas,
Arch street, Little Rock, Ark.

The undersigned will, upon due notification, pay to Bishop Brown for the Arkansas Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund the sum of 25 cents per month to be paid to him in quarterly installments of 75 cents, beginning with October 1, 1900. It being understood that if the subscriptions and income of said fund render it possible, Bishop Brown, or his successor, is to give \$300 per year to Rev. Richard S. James, LL. D., during the remainder of his life. It is further understood that this pledge is to be void upon notification of its withdrawal or at my death.

Date 1900 Signature

Street City State

A hitch in the negotiations between Dr. James and myself prevented the resignation until March, 1901. The pledges received in response to my letter aggregate \$147. This with the \$50 available from our endowment fund for the support of Aged and Infirm Clergy leaves \$103 still to be raised in order to enable me to give Rev. Dr. James the \$300 per year which I promised to get for him on condition that he would resign. I wish it could be possible for me to give the Doctor this amount from year

year without touching the income from our small endowment, so that it may continue to be added to the principal. In order to do this I will need fifty-one more pledges of 25 cents per month. I request that a committee of three be appointed to secure subscriptions from the Clergy and delegates of this Council and also to secure from them a list of the addresses of persons who are likely to be able and willing to give towards this most worthy object.

A PROPOSED SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY FOR THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

I have decided to organize an institution of learning to be known as the School of Theology of the Diocese of Arkansas. A native ministry of competent men who can and will work at the beginning on small salaries is a necessity which will be felt more and more as the development of our vast mission field goes on.

There are young men who desire very much to enter the sacred ministry, but who have been prevented by the lack of means and their obligations to those dependent upon them, from making application to become candidates for Holy Orders.

There are also ministers of the various denominations who desire to return to the Mother Church of English-speaking Christianity. These are by canonical regulation required to take a prescribed course of study. As a rule they are men without private means and with families to support. This makes it impossible for them to spend their novitiate at one of our Theological Seminaries.

The proposed Diocesan Theological School is intended to make it possible for these classes of persons to support themselves and families by doing Lay Reading work on small stipends while engaged in preparation for the passing of their respective examinations. They will meet the Faculty of the School twice a year for ten days, in December and June, when they will pass a thorough examination in the work that has been assigned them for the preceding six months and listen to lectures.

The Lay Readers of the Diocese will be invited to come to the School as pupils.

The School, besides making it possible for some of the most desirable of men to enter the ministry, will accomplish much good by bringing so many of the Clergy together for so long twice a year; not only the members of the Faculty, but all the Clergy will doubtless make it a point to attend the session. A more pleasant and profitable Clericus or Convocation can hardly be imagined.

It is proposed to take the School in turn to all the chief centers of the Church, and to throw the lectures open to our people, and to the public generally. In this way it will practically be a Diocesan Church Chautauqua. The following is the Faculty that I have fixed upon with little or no consultation with those most concerned.

The Right Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas, President and Special Lecturer.

The Very Rev. Percy J. Robottom, M. A., Dean of Trinity Cathedral and Examining Chaplain, Dean of the Theological Faculty, Instructor in the Book of Common Prayer and Liturgics.

The Venerable R. W. Rhames, M. A., Archdeacon of Eastern Arkansas and Examining Chaplain, Instructor in Ethics and Philosophy.

The Venerable W. D. Williams, D. D., Archdeacon of Western Arkansas and Examining Chaplain, Instructor in the History and Contents of the Bible.

The Rev. Arnoldus Miller, M. A., City Missionary, Instructor in Latin, Greek, and Hebrew.

The Rev. George B. Norton, D. D., Missionary in charge of the Searcy District, Instructor in the Interpretation of the Bible.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector of Christ Church, Little Rock, Instructor in Ecclesiastical History.

The Rev. Walter D. Buckner, B. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, Instructor in Comparative Ecclesiastical Polity.

The Rev. Charles H. Lockwood, B. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Helena, Instructor in Pastoral Theology.

The Rev. Ephraim Watt, M. A., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, Instructor in Homiletics.

The Rev. Charles D. Lafferty, B. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport, Instructor in Dogmatic Theology.

The Rev. J. J. Cornish, B. D., Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, and Church of Good Shepherd, Forrest City, Instructor in Sacred Elocution.

The Rev. J. J. Vaulx, M. A., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, Instructor in the Antiquities of the Christian Church.

The Rev. D. B. Ramsey, B. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Camden, Instructor in the Canon Law of the Councils and General Church.

The Rev. J. B. Whaling, M. A., Rector of Trinity Church, Van Buren, Instructor in Christian Missions.

....., Instructor in Christian Biography.

The Rev. A. A. Robertson, M. A., Rector of St. John's Church, Fort Smith, Instructor in Evidences of Christianity.

The Rev. L. S. Shermer, M. A., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Batesville, Instructor in Science and Religion.

Hon. W. G. Whipple, Chancellor of the Diocese of Arkansas, Instructor in Canon Law of the American Church and the Diocese of Arkansas.

Professor W. W. Lanthurn, Organist at Christ Church, Little Rock, Instructor in Sacred Music.

This proposed School of Theology for the Diocese of Arkansas is not, I need hardly say, an original conception with me. I got the idea from the Bishop DeLancy School of the Diocese of Western New York, instituted to prepare applicants from other ministries for Holy Orders in the Church; and Bishop Thomas's School of the Diocese of Kansas, instituted for the purpose of pre-

paring young men for the ministry while doing Lay Reading work in the Missionary field. My school is simply a combination of those schools with the Chautauqua idea.

I believe that this combination of three valuable systems will be found practicable and of great utility in Arkansas, and I bespeak for the experiment the hearty co-operation of the learned Clergy and distinguished Laity of this Council.

The first session of the School will be held in the Cathedral from Tuesday, December 3, to Thursday, December 12, inclusive. After that we hope for invitations from the chief Parishes of the Diocese. There are, I think, as many as twelve congregations that could arrange for the entertainment of the School for a session. As we have only two sessions a year, we could, as matters now stand, go the rounds once in six years. The second session of the School will be held from Tuesday, June 17, to Thursday, June 26, inclusive. We are open to an invitation from some Rector for that session.

RITUAL.

It will be remembered that Bishop Pierce requested in his last will and testament that the "moderate ritual" established by him, presumably at the Cathedral, should be continued there. I have no doubt that this request was prompted by the passage of my first address to this Council, in which I spoke of my attitude towards "extremes in the Mission field," to which, at that time, my jurisdiction was limited. Nor have I any doubt that the Bishop had chiefly in mind Altar Lights, and what are known as Eucharistic vestments; for these were the only features of the service which he could fairly be said to have established as conducted by himself that I discouraged in the Mission field.

I did indeed discourage what are known as genuflections, ostentatious bowings and crossings, but the Bishop could hardly have had these in mind, for he did not, so far as my observation extended, practice them.

As for Altar Lights and Eucharistic vestments, I had my doubts as to the propriety and expediency of their use in a Diocese which is so largely a missionary field as is Arkansas. It will be impossible for us to develop this Diocese without much outside help, and it has always seemed to me that a congregation or Diocese which could not support itself should be contented with the necessities of public worship until it can provide what may be termed the luxuries of worship at its own expense.

While I was the General Missionary of Ohio, I had to deal with one Mission congregation which received \$300 from the Diocesan Missionary Committee and spent \$50 a year for candles! Another congregation which was receiving a large appropriation, spent \$1,500 for a pipe organ. I am sure that people generally will agree with me that such expenditures on the part of Mission congregations are not, as a rule, if ever, justifiable, and that the cases are very rare indeed when they are not inexpedient and wrong.

I say *inexpedient* because unnecessary and extravagant expenditures on the part of Missionary beneficiaries tend to dry up the streams of benevolence. And I say *wrong* because the money which is put into the luxuries of worship ought rather to go towards supplying the necessities of worship for some community where the Church cannot for the lack of funds maintain even the plainest of services.

It may be added that neither of the congregations referred to prospered. Both started out with rather brilliant prospects, but the candle Mission congregation soon dwindled into insignificance, and the pipe organ Mission congregation finally became hopelessly involved in debt, so that their property had to be sold to satisfy mortgages, and the work was entirely closed out. A wide observation convinces me that this fortune in varying degrees is generally realized by Mission congregations which indulge in the luxuries of worship at other people's expense.

But I have no conscientious scruples against the use of Altar Lights and Eucharistic vestments by self-supporting congregations. It is with me simply a matter of expediency. On the ground of what is best for such a Diocese as Arkansas, I was inclined to discontinue the use of the candles and vestments at the Cathedral, and would have done so had it not been for my venerated predecessor's solemn request.

I did not wish to assume the whole responsibility of disregarding or complying with that request and, accordingly, I concluded to share it with the Parochial Clergy of the Diocese. Their responses to my request for an opinion as to whether or not the Altar Lights and Eucharistic vestments should be retained in the Cathedral services were in the great majority of cases more or less clearly in favor of their retention, and so I have permitted, but not required, their use in the Cathedral.

I assumed the responsibility for the character of the Cathedral services on October 1, and the following extract from my letter informing the Clergyman then in charge of what I had resolved upon in respect to services and ritual is of sufficient permanent interest and importance to form a part of this address, but in quoting it here I omit names and unnecessary personal references.

"The Sunday services of the Cathedral under the new administration will be substantially as follows: Morning and evening prayers at the usual hours on all Sundays except the first Sunday of each month, when the morning prayer will be said with the Sunday School, and the Holy communion, preceded by the litany and a sermon will be celebrated. On the other Sundays there will be a celebration at 7:30 a. m.

"On the minor Holy Days there will be a celebration with an address at 10 a. m.

"I AM WILLING THAT THE CATHEDRAL SERVICES SHOULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING FEATURES, NAMELY:

"1. Wafer bread.

"2. Water may be mixed with the wine, but if it be done it must be in the vestry room, or at the credence table, not at the altar.

"3. The cross bearer on great festival occasions.

"4. The eastward position at the Gloria Patria and the Creed.

"5. Bowing the head at the Gloria Patria and genuflecting at the name of Jesus in the Creed.

"6. Altar cross and vases.

"7. The two Eucharistic lights, which, however, are not to be higher than the altar cross, and are to be lighted before the assembling of the congregation.

"8. The Eucharistic vestments of plain white linen to be worn only at early celebrations.

"9. Colored stoles.

"10. Altar cloths for the Seasons and Holy Days.

"I AM NOT WILLING THAT THE CATHEDRAL SERVICES SHOULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING FEATURES, NAMELY:

"1. Genuflecting or bowing towards the altar upon coming in and leaving the chancel, or when crossing it during the service.

"2. Genuflecting or bowing at the mention of the Blessed Virgin Mary or the Incarnation.

"3. Prostration or genuflecting at the consecration of the elements of the Holy Communion.

"4. The priest will of course adore Christ in the Sacred Elements if he believes Him to be present in them in the sense that some do, but in the Cathedral services the outward expression of this adoration must be limited to kneeling at his reception of those elements.

"5. The singing or saying of anything in the Communion office unprovided for by the rubric.

"6. The ceremonial use of candles during the burial or baptismal service.

"7. The use of the 'Commendatory prayer for a sick person at the point of departure,' in the burial service.

"8. The ceremonial wearing by the Clergy of ecclesiastical caps or hats of any kind during indoor services.

"9. Insisting in any way upon fasting or private confession as a condition of coming to the Holy Communion.

"10. Incense shall not be ceremonially used.

"11. No service or prayers except such as are found in the Book of Common Prayer shall at any time be used unless specially appointed by the Bishop.

"12. The consecrated elements of the Holy Communion are not to be reserved for the sick or any other purpose.

"13. In announcing the various services the prayer book titles shall be used.

"14. No ornaments or pictures or esthetic changes are to be introduced in the church or services without the consent of the Bishop.

"15. Alcolytes are not to be employed.

"16. The so called Children's Eucharist is not to be practiced.

"17. The elements of the Holy Communion are not to be elevated before the people by the Priest while standing at the altar, and the sentences of administration are not to be repeated except at the chancel rail during the distribution.

"18. The sign of the cross at the profession of faith in 'The Life Everlasting.'

"19. The worship of saints is not to be recommended or practiced. This applies even to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

"20. The general thanksgiving in morning and evening prayer is not to be said by the people. The Lord's Prayer in the Communion service, and everywhere else, is to be said by the Priest and people.

"I may upon further consideration wish to make additions to the above permissions and prohibitions, and of course reserve the right of doing so at any time.

"I have made as many concessions in favor of ceremonialism as my judgment will admit of, and in cases of uncertainty I have as a temporary experiment given the benefit of the doubt to the late Bishop's wishes. If the Clergy and Laity who are of his way of thinking will duly consider my strong predilections in an opposite direction, and my unquestionable right to follow them, they will, I think, credit me with all the concessions which, under the circumstances, can reasonably be expected."

In regard to Eucharistic vestments and candles, I want to add to what is said in the letter from which I have quoted, that I prefer the ordinary cassock, surplice and stole as the attire of our Priests at celebration of the Holy Communion, for two reasons:

(1) They are, so far as can be ascertained, the primitive Eucharistic vestments. The chasuble and cope are more distinctly Medieval and Roman.

(2) They are the vestments generally worn, and while I do not attach so much importance to uniformity as some do, yet I think it is undesirable, without the best reasons, to depart from prevailing customs. Especially is it desirable, I think, to adhere to the old, when the adoption of the new would tend to unnecessary and undignified change of vestments between the morning Prayer and Holy Communion, and when the change tends in many instances to distraction and identification with Romanism.

But while I personally prefer that the Medieval Eucharistic vestments should not be used in the Cathedral and Diocese of Arkansas, when it comes to Eucharistic lights and candles my preference inclines to their use where they can be consistently and judiciously indulged in, and for three reasons:

(1) Lights were undoubtedly used at the institution and first celebration of the Holy Eucharist, and lighted candles, therefore, are a memorial of the institution of the Lord's Supper.

But it may as well be remembered that the lights of that upper room were probably olive oil lamps, and not sperm or tallow candles. At the institution of the Eucharist our Lord used the ordinary light and bread and wine of his country and time. If he had lived in our land and day he would have been as likely to use electric lights as any.

Moreover, it should be remembered that if the Holy Communion had been instituted in daytime instead of at night, he would have used the light of the sun and not that of candles or lamps of any kind.

(2) Aga'n, I like Altar Lights, and am inclined to encourage their use at celebrations of the Eucharist, because they witness against some of the teaching of those who attach most importance to them, namely, that the sacrament should not be celebrated at any time except in the morning, and that it should never be received after breakfast. The lighted candles will always remind any thoughtful reader of the gospel narrative that the Eucharist was instituted at night after supper.

(3) Again, I am rather inclined to encourage the use of candles for the same reason that I like flowers, they are "pretty." This is, I believe, the real reason why candles are so popular in many quarters, and this reason will, in the course of time, make their use as general among protestant bodies of Christians as is the use of flowers at present.

I desire to call the attention especially of the Clergy of this Council and Diocese to the features which I am not willing that our services should have, and to say that they are forbidden at the Cathedral, and will be discouraged by me in all Parishes, Missions and Preaching Stations, not because they are believed to be in all cases unscriptural or unedifying, but because I am persuaded that they are either illegal or unsound as to their doctrinal teaching.

THE ANNALS OF CHRIST CHURCH PARISH, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.

Mrs. Dr. Cantrell has placed this Diocese, and indeed the American Church, under great obligation to her by the preparation and publication of her historical sketch of the Mother Church of Arkansas. The work reflects much credit upon its authoress. It will be of permanent value, because it is a compilation of historical data and illustrations of far more than local interest. No future historian of the Episcopal Church in Arkansas or of the United States could altogether dispense with this source of information. I am anxious that this invaluable publication should not be the last of its kind, and to make sure that it may not be, I recommend that an historiographer be appointed for the Diocese, whose duty it shall be to collect and preserve historical data and documents. I also recommend that this Council offer a first prize of \$50, and a second prize of \$25 for the best and next best

I have always felt with the Bishop of New Hampshire that the Mission congregations of this country do not need a society to help them go into debt but rather a society to keep them out of debt. I supposed that the Building Fund people preferred to loan and did little in the way of making donations. As soon as I discovered my mistake I made an application for gifts to help us in building three chapels in Arkansas, and after investigating our claims the Commission generously granted me \$100 for each of them. Its genial Secretary moreover manifested a disposition to submit other applications, and if their funds hold out. I have no doubt that the Commission will be equally helpful to us in the building of other chapels for which strong claims to outside help can be made.

The amount of contributions from Arkansas to the fund up to the present time is only \$153.25. I hope that from this on we shall show our gratitude to the Commission by doing much better. I should be glad to have all our congregations do liberally by the American Church Building Fund.

GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Triennial General Convention of the Church meets this year in the city of San Francisco, California.

Considerable interest is attached to this meeting because it is the first time in the history of the American Church that the Convention has been convened on the Pacific coast. On this account it is desirable that the very natural hopes of the Church on the Pacific slope should be realized in the coming of full delegations from the Dioceses of the Atlantic regions. Hitherto the West has always been obliged to come East at great inconvenience and expense. It is no more than right that the East should now put itself out all that is necessary in order to go West at least this once.

But there is a greater reason than that of reciprocity why the San Francisco Council should be well attended. From both the Missionary and Legislative points of view, it is likely to be the most important of all the recent General Conventions. I hope therefore that Arkansas will be represented by four Clergymen and four Laymen. If any persons are honored with nominations who cannot go I trust that they will withdraw so that only those who expect to go may be elected.

It is highly desirable on our own account that Arkansas should be fully represented. In these days we want to "see and be seen" as much as possible. It will all help towards getting us out of the rut on the level with other Dioceses.

MY WORK IN ARKANSAS.

In the course of the year I have visited the following places in Arkansas from one to six times, namely, Hot Springs, six times;

Pulaski Heights, twice; Van Buren, four times; Fayetteville, three times; Pocahontas, once; Helena, twice; Clarendon, once; Pine Bluff, three times; Jonesboro, once; Lake Village, once; Eureka Springs, three times; Hope, once; Washington, once; Searcy, three times; Marianna, once; Forrest City, once; Brinkley, twice; Batesville, twice; Fort Smith, four times; Winslow, once; Newport, once; Mena, once; Lexa, once; Arkansas City, once; Paragould, once; Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, fourteen times; Christ Church, Little Rock, three times; St. Philip's Mission, Little Rock, four times; St. Paul's Mission, Little Rock, twice.

CONFIRMATION VISITATIONS.

My visitations for confirmation were as follows: May 20, St. Paul's Mission Parish, Fayetteville, seven candidates confirmed; May 20, Trinity Mission Parish, Van Buren, eleven candidates; May 24, Pocahontas (preaching station), nine candidates; May 27, St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, seven candidates; May 29, St. John's Church, Helena, six candidates; May 30, Clarendon (preaching station), two candidates; May 31, Clarendon (preaching station), one candidate; June 3, Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, twelve candidates; June 6, St. James's Mission Parish, Eureka Springs, four candidates; June 8, Lake Village Mission, four candidates; June 10, St. Mark's Mission Parish, Hope, five candidates; June 17, St. Andrew's Mission Parish, Marianna, one candidate; June 17, Church of Good Shepherd's Mission Parish, Forrest City, two candidates; June 18, St. Luke's Mission Station, Brinkley, seven candidates; June 19, St. Paul's Mission Parish, Batesville, six candidates; June 22, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, five candidates; June 24, St. John's Church, Fort Smith, twenty-nine candidates; June 24, Winslow (preaching station), one candidate; November 18, St. John's Church, Fort Smith, five candidates; November 25, St. Paul's Mission Parish, Batesville, six candidates; November 25, St. Paul's Church, Newport, five candidates; December 16, Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, thirteen candidates; December 23, St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, one candidate; January 22, St. Mark's Mission Parish, Jonesboro, seven candidates; January 23, Paragould Mission Station, one candidate; February 11, Christ Chapel, Mission Station, Mena, nine candidates; April 14, Christ Church, Little Rock, fifty-five candidates; April 16, St. Andrew's Mission Parish, Mammoth Spring, two candidates; April 19, Trinity Mission Station, Searcy, five candidates; April 21, St. John's Church, Helena, fourteen candidates; April 22, St. Luke's Mission Station, Brinkley, three candidates; April 23, St. Peter's Mission Station, Conway, five candidates; April 26, Monticello Mission Station, one candidate; April 28, Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, thirteen candidates; May 3, St. Paul's Mission Parish, Fayetteville, five candidates; May 5, St. John's Church, Fort Smith, twenty-four candidates; May 5, Trinity Mission Parish, Van Buren, fifteen candidates. Total number of candidates confirmed, 308.

PERSONS CONFIRMED.

The following is a complete list of the persons confirmed by me in the Diocese of Arkansas within the Council year 1900-1901:

St. Paul's Mission Parish, Fayetteville, May 20, 1900—Douglas Payne, Henry Baldwin, Vernon Harding, Mrs. Mary Lou Payne, Lucile Lelia Barry, Laura Read, Rowena Blackburn.

Trinity Mission Parish, Van Buren, May 20, 1900—Mary Southmayd, Nellie Pence, Mary Woolum, Lela Allen, Margaret Gillette, Sarah Miller, Lula Holle, Katie Holle, Eula Speaker, Frank Anderson, Dunham Scott.

Pocahontas Preaching Station, May 24, 1900—Mrs. Flora Black, Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Julia Schoonover, Mrs. Mary Bolin, Miss Hattie Black, Miss Maude Lucas, Miss May Crosby, Robert Bolin.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, May 27, 1900—Charles G. Convers, George Walton Gates, Henry French Goodyear, Helen Convers, Mabelle E. Leatherman, Edith Fowler, Marie Theresa Lindig.

St. John's Church, Helena, May 29, 1900—Anna Louise Thompson, Ella Green, Anna Vinyard, Edward Lardot Essertier, Jack Chick, George Jules Carvill.

Clarendon Preaching Station, May 30 and 31—Frederick E. Harmon, Mrs. Lucile Harmon, Mrs. Harriet James.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, June 3, 1900—Mrs. Elizabeth Branner Arnold, Mrs. Nettie Grace, Mrs. Elizabeth Beckwith, Mr. Harry Harris, Miss Jenevive Taylor, Miss Fay Scull, Miss Zoe Simpson, Miss Mary Amanda Reynolds, Mr. William Bahlon, Mr. Robert Trimble, Miss Bettie Brannon Hahn, Miss Mildred Thompson.

St. James's Mission Parish, Eureka Springs, June 6, 1900—Florence T. Heward, Mrs. Lucy Heward, Mrs. Annie Pell, Mrs. Hattie B. Elliott.

Lake Village Mission Station, June 8, 1900—Herman Carrolton, Jefferson Davis Miles, Miss Kate Jacquinnine, Mrs. Julia Bagby.

St. Mark's Mission Parish, Hope, June 10, 1900—Helen Mary Ruffin, Luli Jett Simons, Eva Jennie Barlow, Wanda West, Ralph Mack Zurton.

St. Andrew's Mission Parish, Marianna, June 17, 1900—John I. Foreman.

Good Shepherd's Mission Parish, Forrest City, June 17, 1900—Louise Skinner Gatling, Annie Julia Wolff.

St. Luke's Mission Station, Brinkley, June 18, 1900—Mary Ione Sapp, Ada M. Schild, Lela Creager, Ruby Louise Savage, Katie Lyonne Savage, Frederick Barton Hailman, Elma Harmon Converse.

St. Paul's Mission Parish, Batesville, June 19, 1900—Mrs. D. Dinnington, Viola Gilstrap, Ula Gilstrap, Fitzhugh Norman Hail, Fred Preston Kealer, Mayme Steele.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, June 22, 1900—William Ayers Aglar Cook, Theodore Lupp, Clyde Henry Watson, Charles Frederick Hozler, William Henry Hozler.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, June 24, 1900—Henry Clay Burnie, Bertha Mary Burnie, Emma May Burnie, Margaret Sheback Burnie, Daisy Louisa Brenner, Catherine Congdon, Ella A. Congdon, Maude Crawford, Grace Dodd, Jemmie McN. Ellis, Helen Ellis, Juliet O. Peyinghaus, Annie Marguerite Saunders, Lena Theurer, Margaret Bennett Vail, Emmet Martimer Burns, Joseph Augustus Clemmens, James B. Congdon, George S. Congdon, Harry Parker Dailey, Jay B. Ellis, John Francis McNair, John William Vail, James Allen Mantor, Homer Goodman, Lyon Saunders, Sarah B. Weiser, Nellie Weiser, Miss Weiser.

Winslow Preaching Station, June 24, 1900—Florence Bartholow Younge.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, November 18, 1900—Lucian Paddock McManus, Miles Everett Faster, Hal Bonner Goodman, Carey Boyd, Walter C. Caldwell.

St. Paul's Mission Parish, Batesville, November 25, 1900—Ethel Davis, William Anderson Hall, Mrs. Frank Reed, Lena Hall, Fairfax Hall, Allan Ramsey Weaver.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, December 16, 1900—Mr. Clifton Howell, Miss Ella Howell, Miss May Hutchins, Mr. Joseph Richard Cromwell, Mrs. Mary Cromwell, Mrs. Victoria Wilson, Mr. Clifton Sparks, Miss Emma Grace, Miss Juliet Welch, Miss May Wilson, Mrs. Sarah Levy, Miss Flourney Culpepper.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, December 23, 1900—Portia B. Winn.

St. Mark's Mission Station, Jonesboro, January 22, 1901—Mrs. Margaret Watson, Aline Schweizar, Jamie Schweizar, Herma Hansell, Helen Dorsch, Nannie Antoinette Browne, Sarah Beatrice Robinson.

Paragould Preaching Station, January 23, 1901—Mrs. Mable Vestal Witherington.

Mission Station, Mena, February 11, 1901—William H. Boyce, Mrs. Josephine De Lamar Boyce, Mrs. Katie Mae Jenner Boyer, Mrs. Mae Manford Westfall Easterday, Master Frank Pemberton, Miss Daisy Rebecca Varley, Miss Minnie Lee Woodson, Miss Viola Woodson, Miss Mary Faull Williams.

Christ Church, Little Rock, April 14, 1901—George Hastings Lee, Robert Dickson Bogart, James Russell Miller, John Dean Adams, Samuel Wallace Reyburn, George Walter Pickering, Theodore Frellingham Howell, James Herbert Steveson, Haley Melton Bennett, William Henry Vernor Heath, Clark Ward, Felix Barrow, Zeb Ward, Jr., John W. House, Kenneth Harrow Hanger, Frank Leopard, Edward L. Rogers, Maurice Adams Cowpland, Clarence Hampton Gray, Wade Kirkwood, Charles Frederick Martin, M. Cleveland Hutton, Willard Morris Butler, William Henry Hays, William Henry Wagner, Gordon Embree Greenfield, Frederick Elias

Conway, Richard Bryant Sappington, Miss Clara Sale, Miss Caroline Mann, Miss Zimethue Brady, Miss Elizabeth Hill, Miss Nellie Louise Scott, Miss Noney Jane Newcomb, Miss Maude Grace Melven, Miss Clara Hotze, Miss Mary Fulton Conway, Miss Alice Montague Robinson, Mrs. Elizabeth Rogers, Mrs. Sadie Maley, Miss Irene Johnson Gibson, Miss Blanche Marie Hutton, Miss Francis Margaret Johnson, Miss Katherine Elizabeth Weare, Miss Rosa Anna Folkes, Miss Stella Jane Lodgsdon, Miss Nellie Patton, Mrs. J. M. Shelton, Mrs. Witt, Miss Evelyn Hempstead, Miss Janet Laurie Hempstead, Mrs. Christine Rheem Braddock, Miss Ina Hamilton Dowdy, Mrs. Minnie Louise Weatherall Kirkwood, and Mr.

St. Andrew's Mission Parish, Mammoth Spring, April 16, 1901—

John Adolphus Beebe, Elizabeth Lulu Beebe.

Trinity Mission Parish, Searcy, April 19, 1901—Thomas Clay

Jones, Albert Edward Jones, Maud Bell Taber, Mrs. Angie Rogers Jones.

St. John's Church, Helena, April 21, 1901—Mr. Ramsey Skin-

ner, Mrs. Amelia Howard Skinner, Mrs. Katherine Thompson Chick, Mr. George Thomas Fulkerson, Mrs. Harriet Moore Nelson, Mr. Tappen Hornor, Mr. Frank Theodore Horn, Miss Elsie Worthington Updegraff, Miss Mina Alma Lawrens, Miss Alice Jackson Ford, Miss Ruby Allen, Miss Clara Louise Dicks, Miss Mabel Hawks Govan, Mr. Charles Fleming Ford.

St. Luke's Mission Chapel, Brinkley, April 22, 1901—Mary Rose

Porter, Myrtle Eliza Hale.

St. Peter's Preaching Station, Conway, April 23, 1901—Precilla

Smith Mitchell, Frank Worth Mitchell, Lily Brown Simms, Ruby Paine, Margaret Sherwood Rhames.

Mission Station, Monticello, April 26, 1901—Tonny Whittington.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, April 28, 1901—Mrs. Florence De-

Ferer, Mrs. Ada Margaret Seabrook, Mrs. Mary Holmes, Miss Katherine Foy Tullis, Miss Celina Allings, Miss Nellie Young, Miss Katherine Smith, Miss Annie Bocage Smith, Mr. Leo Andrews, Mr. Harry Le Mair, Mr. John Le Mair, Mr. John Hobart Coken, Mr. Porter Grace.

St. Paul's Mission Parish, Fayetteville, May 3, 1901.—Theodore

Treadway, Mrs. Ellen Napier, Miss Blanche Leverett, Cleveland Lanier, Robby Lanier.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, May 5, 1901—Mrs. Annie Eliz-

abeth Anderson, Alonzo Bolts, Norman Carslarphen, Vera Clements, Thomas Langan Dailey, Lucy Lee Falconer, Helen Beauford Falconer, Esther Hanan, Mrs. Margaret Montgomery Hunt, William Robinson McCullough, John Hall McManiss, Adelaide Cawline Morris, Henrietta Katherine Morris, Mrs. Hannah May Salyers, Catherine Sandells, Margaret Sandells, Hazel Warren, Ada Amelia Wilde, Franke Frederick Winstel, Lulu Francis House, Mrs. Jessie Martha Moore, Etta Millie Boker, Ella Armsworth, Allie Earnestine Armsworth.

Trinity Mission Parish, Van Buren, May 5, 1901—Mr. Frank Kerr, Mr. Charles Pape, Mrs. Lily Hutchinson, Mrs. Mary Alice Hawkins, Mrs. Mary Mrytle Whittaker, Mrs. Sadie Lacy, Mrs. Martha Jane Ray, Miss Lily Lee, Mr. Fred Nicodemus, Louie Wittaker, Thomas McGee, Rebecca Bryan, Maud Mause, Henry Holly, Irene Hawkins, Jennie Hofstetter, Rosina Pape.

CHAPELS CONSECRATED OR BLESSED IN ARKANSAS WITHIN THE LAST COUNCIL YEAR.

June 14, Searcy, consecrated Trinity Chapel.
December 11, Arkansas City, consecrated St. Clement's Chapel.
December 17, Brinkley, consecrated St. Luke's Mission Chapel.
January 22, Jonesboro, consecrated St. Mark's Church.
February 11, Mena, consecrated Christ Church Chapel.
April 16, Mammoth Spring, consecrated St. Andrew's Chapel.
April 26, Monticello, blessed St. Mary's Chapel.

MARRIAGES.

December 24—1 (Mr. Guy B. Wood to Miss Kate Bernice Barry).

April 17—1 (Mr. Walter Graham Hall to Miss Mary Emily Roots).

ORDINATIONS.

Fort Smith, June 24—The Rev. Angus Archibald Robertson.

BAPTISMS.

I administered the Sacrament of Public Baptism as follows:
Pulaski Heights, May 6, Ellen Darling Leaming; Pulaski Heights, May 13, Eugene Henry Nowlin, Kitty Nowlin, Sallay Roy Nowlin; Hot Springs, May 27, George Walton Gates; Pocahontas, May 24, Robert Shoonover; Clarendon, May 31, Pearl Harmon; Fort Smith, November 18, Mary Lella Parker.

EPISCOPAL CONSENTS.

I have in the course of the Council year given my consent to the following Episcopal consecrations, namely: The Rev. Reginald Heber Weller to the Coadjutor Bishopric of Fond du Lac, Wis., the Rev. Robert Woodward Barnwell to the Coadjutor Bishopric of Alabama.

VISITATION COLLECTIONS FOR THE ARKANSAS MISSION CHAPEL BUILDING FUND.

St. Philip's, Little Rock—May 6, Building Fund collection...	\$ 1.27
Pulaski Heights—May 6, Building Fund collection	1.30
St. Paul's, Little Rock—May 6, Building Fund collection..	1.00
Pulaski Heights—May 13, Building Fund collection	1.14

St. Philip's, Little Rock—May 13, Building Fund collection..	91
Fayetteville—May 20, Building Fund collection	4.25
Pocahontas—May 24, Building Fund collection	5.82
Hot Springs—May 27, Building Fund collection	16.25
Helena—May 29, Building Fund collection	9.20
Pine Bluff—June 3, Building Fund collection	7.10
Eureka Springs—June 6, Building Fund collection	4.82
Lake Village—June 8, Building Fund collection	3.00
Hope—June 10, Building Fund collection	5.00
Washington—June 10, Building Fund collection	1.60
Searcy—June 14, Building Fund collection	3.50
Marianna—June 17, Building Fund collection	4.50
Forrest City—June 17, Building Fund collection	3.20
Brinkley—June 18, Building Fund collection	2.10
Batesville—June 19, Building Fund collection	4.01
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock—June 22, Building Fund collection	2.60
Fort Smith—November 18, Building Fund collection	10.56
Batesville—November 25, Building Fund collection	7.46
Newport—November 25, Building Fund collection	6.35
Lexa—December 9, Building Fund collection	3.00
Pine Bluff—December 16, Building Fund collection	13.07
Total	\$123.02

VISITATION COLLECTIONS FOR THE EDUCATION OF A NATIVE MINISTRY FOR ARKANSAS.

Searcy—April 19, collection \$2.05.
 Helena—April 21, collection \$7.75.
 Brinkley—April 22, collection \$2.
 Camden—April 28, collection \$5.30.
 Fayetteville—May 3, collection \$3.70.
 Fort Smith—May 5, collection \$18.85.
 Van Buren—May 5, collection \$3.76.

SUMMARY OF MY WORK IN ARKANSAS.

Places visited, fifty-three; number of visitations, fifty-three; sermons, fifty; addresses, twenty; baptisms, eight; confirmations, 308; communions, fifteen; marriages, two; letters dismissory, four; ordinations, one; chapels consecrated, seven; collections, \$158.97.

OUTSIDE WORK.

On June 2 I made the address at the Commencement Exercises of St. Mary's School for Girls and Young Women, Memphis, Tenn.

On March 18 at the request of and on behalf of the Bishop of New York, I blessed the chapel of St. Mark's, Nepera Park, New York.

On March 19, at 10 a. m., at the request of and on behalf of the Bishop of Long Island, I ordained the Rev. Frederick Phillips Swezy to the Order of Priesthood in the Holy Trinity Church, Harlem, New York City, N. Y.

On April 11 I made an address as guest of honor at a dinner given by the Church Club, of the city of Cleveland, Ohio, at the University Club Building.

Within the year I have preached in the following places and churches outside of the Diocese of Arkansas: September 30, Galion, Ohio; October 7, Bloomfield, N. J.; March 15, St. Thomas's Chapel, New York; March 17, Church of the Ascension, New York; March 17, Church of the Epiphany, New York; March 18, St. Mark's Chapel, Nepera Park, N. Y.; March 18, St. Paul's Church, Yonkers, N. J.

I responded to an invitation on the part of Mr. John Wood, editor of the "Spirit of Missions" to furnish an article regarding Missionary work in Arkansas. What I sent on was published in attractive form in two illustrated articles. The first appeared in the February issue of the "Spirit of Missions" and related to Arkansas as a State. My object being to show that our State has a great future before it and that consequently it offers a foundation upon which to build a great church. The second article appeared in the March issue and covered the history of the Church in Arkansas to the beginning of my Episcopate, with a view of accounting for our present weakness and raising up benefactors for the Diocese. I have reason to believe that the articles have done us much good.

From Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday I made many appeals at the North and East for money with which to carry on our Missionary work for the year beginning with Easter, 1901. The following is a list of congregations in whose churches I spoke, in all sixty-two places: February 20, Meadville, Pa.; February 21, Mayville, N. Y.; February 22, Lockport, N. Y.; February 24, Buffalo, N. Y., Ascension Church; February 24, Buffalo, N. Y., Trinity Church; February 24, Buffalo, N. Y., St. Mary's Church; February 25, Tonawanda, N. Y.; February 26, Middleport, N. Y.; February 26, Medina, N. Y.; February 26, Brockport, N. Y.; February 27, Albion, N. Y.; February 27, Buffalo, N. Y., Grace Church; February 28, Hornellsville, N. Y.; March 1, Buffalo, N. Y.; St. John's Church; March 1, Buffalo, N. Y., St. Luke's Church; March 3, Philadelphia, Pa., Zion Church; March 3, Philadelphia, Pa., Grace Church Chapel; March 4, Philadelphia, Pa., Church of Our Savior; March 5, Red Bank, N. J.; March 6, Brooklyn, N. Y.; March 7, New York, General Seminary; March 8, New York, St. Thomas's Church; March 8, Bay Ridge; March 10, Philadelphia, Pa., Grace Church; March 10, Philadelphia, Pa., St. Matthew's Church; March 10, Overbrook; March 10, Philadelphia, Pa., St. John's Church; March 11, Philadelphia, Pa., St. Peter's Church; March 12, Yonkers, N. Y.; March 13, Torresdale, Pa.; March 14, New York, St. Peter's Church; March 15, Philadelphia, Pa.; March 17, Norwich, Conn.;

March 17, New York, Ascension Church; March 17, New York, Epiphany Church; March 18, Brooklyn, N. Y., St. Ann's Church; March 18, Nepera Park, St. Mark's Chapel; March 19, Harlem, New York; March 19, Yonkers, N. Y.; March 20, Wissahickon Heights, Pa.; March 20, Lower Merion, Pa.; March 21, Manayunk, Pa.; March 21, Philadelphia, Pa.; March 24, Providence, R. I.; March 24, Providence, R. I., Church of Messiah; March 24, Providence, R. I., Church of All Saints; March 25, Wickford, R. I.; March 26, Providence, R. I., Church of the Redeemer; March 26, Providence, R. I., Church of the Epiphany; March 27, Providence, R. I.; March 27, Pawtucket, R. I.; March 28, Apponaug, R. I.; March 29, Bristol, R. I.; March 31, Newport, R. I., Emanuel Church; March 31, Newport, R. I., Trinity Church; March 31, Newport, R. I., St. George's Church; April 1, Stratford, Conn.; April 2, New York, Domestic Committee Woman's Auxiliary; April 2, Bloomfield, N. J.; April 3, Oyster Bay, N. Y.; April 7, New York, St. Thomas's Church (Easter Day); April 7, Norristown, Pa.; April 9, New York, I made an address to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society in which I pleaded for a continuation of the appropriation of \$4,500 made by the Board to Arkansas without reduction until we have had reasonable time to get upon a self supporting basis. This address was put into the form of a letter under date May 1, and sent to all the members of the Board.

I believe that this letter and the articles mentioned above are of sufficient permanent interest to justify their publication in our Council Journal as an appendix to this annual address.

Owing to my illness and the fact that I spent less than half of the time at this work, I did not secure as much financial aid this year as I did last, but I am thankful to say that with the overflow of last year and with what we can safely count upon from our own increased giving capacity we certainly have enough to carry us safely through this Council year, that is to say we have \$9,000 in hand or in view.

At the request of and on behalf of the Bishop of New York, I made the following confirmation visitations: New York, N. Y., St. Peter's Church, March 14, 1901, thirteen candidates; New York, N. Y., Church of the Ascension, March 17, 1901, twenty-nine candidates; New York, N. Y., March 17, 1901, Church of the Epiphany, eleven candidates; New York, N. Y., St. Thomas's Chapel, March 15, 1901, 129 candidates; Nepera Park, N. Y., St. Mark's Chapel, March 18, 1901, nine candidates.

At the request of and on behalf of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, I made the following visitation: Norristown, Pa., All Saints Church, April 7, 1901, thirty-nine candidates.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

My recommendations this year are the following:

1. That the general expenses of the Diocese including the Bishop's salary of \$1,500 be assessed equitably upon the several

Parishes and Mission stations, and that the payment of the assessments be made a condition of representation in the Annual Council.

2. That the Canon respecting the reduction of Parishes to Mission stations be restored to its original form.

3. That this Council offer two prizes of \$50 and \$25 respectively for the best and second best historical sketch of the Church in the Diocese of Arkansas.

4. That the Diocese secure a fireproof safe or box in some safety deposit vault in which to preserve its titles to property and other valuable papers.

5. That a committee be appointed to solicit from delegates subscriptions of 25 cents per month towards the support of superannuated and infirm Clergymen, and to secure a list of persons with their addresses who are likely to be able and willing to help the Bishop in the care of such Clergymen.

6. That the Dardanelle Church property be struck off from the list of special offerings recommended by the Council, and that the American Church Building Fund Commission be substituted for it.

ADDENDA "A."

OUTLOOK OF THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION AND ITS AMERICAN BRANCH.

We have crossed the threshold of a new century, and we are wondering and prophesying what the condition of the world will be at the close of the next one hundred years. I am an optimist, I love to look on the bright side of things. I believe that all things considered, the moral and physical condition of mankind at the beginning of the twentieth century is a decided improvement upon what it was at the opening of the nineteenth, and I rejoice in the hope that one hundred years hence our condition will in all respects be much better than it is now. There are pessimists, people who look on the dark side of things, who never cease to bewail our times and the prospects of the future. They insist that our religion is, as compared with that of our fathers, at a low ebb; that our politics is comparatively corrupt; that the few are becoming richer and richer; that the masses are being trodden down more and more into an abject, hopeless poverty and slavery; and, in short, that the condition of things which brought about the decline and fall of the mighty Roman Empire is rapidly developing throughout Christendom, and making a repetition of history in the ultimate collapse of our boasted Christian civilization inevitable.

It is not well that we should blind ourselves to the imperfections of the people and institutions of our day and generation, but, while I concede that we are still immeasurably far from having realized the ideal in our civil and religious institutions, and in our industrial conditions, yet I make bold to take issue with our

pessimists and to challenge them to point out a period of one hundred years in all history when governments had as much reference to the greatest good of the greatest number or when the Church did more for the moral renovation and elevation of the world. I insist without fear of intelligent contradiction, that not one of all the centuries is comparable with the nineteenth for the number of high grade, intelligent, incorruptible, philanthropic, religious, consecrated men and women which it has produced.

The immeasurable superiority of the last century over all its predecessors in everything that makes for the moral, intellectual and physical elevation of mankind is the ground for my optimism respecting future centuries. I believe that the twentieth century will be the commencement of the Golden Era of human history, and that each succeeding century will contribute to eliminate the dross from our superlative civilization until the millennium has finally come.

As for the future of our beloved Church, I claim that the outlook for her is encouraging and inspiring in the highest degree. She is the "Apostolic," the "Holy Catholic," the "historic" Church of the English-speaking race. She is to-day pre eminently, in every element of strength, the Church of our race. As the racial Church of the dominant peoples of the globe, the brightness of her future prospects is almost dazzling. During the past centuries she has kept pace with the astounding spread of the English-speaking tongue and civilization, and there is every reason to believe that she will continue to do so during the present century.

See how the English speaking peoples have been multiplying, and judge from this what will be the growth of that great Church which is the foundation of Anglo-Saxon civilization and greatness. Statistics show that within the present century the number of those who spoke our tongue at its beginning has been multiplied six times from 21,000,000 in the year 1800 to 126,000,000 in A. D. 1894. The English language is now used by nearly twice as many people as any of the others.

In his history of the English people, Mr. Green forecasts the future of the race in these terms: "Before half a century is over, it will change the face of the world. As two hundred millions of Englishmen fill the valley of the Mississippi, as fifty millions assert their lordship over Australia, their vast power will tell through Britain on the old world of Europe, whose nations will have shrunk into insignificance before it. What the issues of such a wide-world change may be, not even the wildest day-dreamer will dare to dream. But one issue is inevitable. In the centuries that lie before us, the primacy of the world will be with the English people. English institutions, English speech, English thoughts will become the main features of the political, the social, the intellectual life of mankind."

Now we contend that the Anglican Communion will always follow and keep up with the English language; that in proportion

as our civilization unifies the political world, our Church will reunite divided Christendom and Christianize heathenism. If it be asked why she, rather than one of the English-speaking denominations, may aspire to become the Church of the reconciliation, the ready answer is found in the simple fact that she is the historic, the Catholic, the Mother Church of our race. For, other things being equal, it is in the nature of things that her children and grandchildren should gather around her rather than about any one of themselves. And how much more likely is this to be the case when, as in this instance, the Mother has so many and great advantages, as is evident from the fact that many of her distinctive features, after having been long rejected by her wayward children, are now being commended and adopted.

The Church that has been entwined about the very heart of the Anglo-Saxon nation, and that of all its colonies through their entire history, is not likely to be abandoned at this late date by such a conservative race as we are, for some one of the many organizations of the last three hundred years, none of which have taken any hold upon our people as a whole.

The Anglican Communion always has been, is now, and ever will be, the dominant religious influence with English-speaking people, and there is much reason for believing that in the course of time it will become all embracing as for the belief that ultimately ours will be the universal language. Certainly our civilization cannot assume world-wide proportions without the Church doing the same, for she is its foundation.

The rapid growth of the American branch of the great historic Church of our race should be ground for special thanksgiving and encouragement. At the beginning of the nineteenth century we had in this country only about 12,000 communicants, but we start out in the twentieth century with 700,000 communicants. Our period of most rapid growth has been during the last third of the past century. By comparing the statistics published by the General Convention of 1868 with those of the General Convention Journal of 1898, it will be seen that in the intervening period our communicants have increased fully 248 per cent. During the same period the population of the country increased only about 100 per cent. Rapidly as the population of the United States has been increasing the growth of the Episcopal Church as measured by the increase of its communicants has been about two and one-half times greater. Should the Church during the next thirty years do only one-half as well as she has been doing since 1868 she will have in 1930 at least 1,500,000 communicants. And to say that in the course of the present century our communicants will increase to 5,000,000 is to state our prospects conservatively. Five millions of communicants will mean a constituency of fifteen millions or more for the Episcopal Church with which to begin the twenty-first century.

My trips to the great cities of New York and Philadelphia these last two Lents have been profitable, not only because God has put it into the hearts of many to respond to my appeals for financial aid in the development of our vast Mission field, but also because of the inspiration which the great strength of the Church in those and other principal cities has afforded me.

The number and size of our Churches and the rapidity of their growth is truly astonishing. In that part of the city of New York that belongs to Bishop Potter's Diocese, which does not include Brooklyn, there are over one hundred churches. More than forty of these are great congregations ranging from 500 to 1,000 communicants, and one of them, St. George's Church, has 1,381 communicants.

The great Bishop of New York having been overtaken by an illness which confined him to the house for a few days, asked his humble brother of Arkansas to take his appointments for confirmation. In one class I confirmed 136 persons, and when I commented upon the fact to the Bishop, he remarked that he had just confirmed a class of 220, and that he sometimes confirms as many as 2,000 souls in a single week.

It is a remarkable and significant fact that as a rule fully one-half of these great confirmation classes, and of all our classes throughout the country, have denominational or Roman Catholic religious antecedents. This proves that the tide which at the beginning of the nineteenth century was almost altogether away from the historic Church is at the beginning of the twentieth century returning in great strength. If it continues to come our way for one hundred years there can be no doubt that the Episcopal Church will be at the opening of the twenty-first century the strongest body of Christians in these United States.

This outlook for the historic Church of our race and for its American branch in particular ought to inspire and encourage us to see to it that the Church in Arkansas, which, for causes well and widely known, is unfortunately thirty years behind the State, recovers the lost ground and keeps pace with the increase of our population. It is believed that this is quite within the range of possibilities.

The Church in Arkansas at the opening of this century is indeed almost desperately weak, both in respect to numbers and ability to give for Church Extension work, but our membership is growing and our giving capacity will increase with the multiplication and growth of our congregations and the development of the State.

The generous responses to my appeals at the North and East for financial aid show that the Church abroad is disposed to help us out of the rut and up the hill to the elevation occupied by the rest of the Church.

Our progress since God has raised us up benefactors has certainly been as great, all things considered, as that of any other

Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in the land, showing that Arkansas is an exceptionally good field for the Church. Beginning with the placing of our two excellent General Missionaries in the field on January 1, 1900, we started out with the idea of building five churches and adding two new Clergymen to our ministerial force each year. I promised the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and our numerous other benefactors, that if they would help us to the extent of \$9,000 per year we would, by God's blessing upon our endeavors, guarantee this increase. I am sure that the report to this Council of the Committee on State of the Church will show that so far we have much more than kept our promise.

Another part of my pledge to our benefactors is that no congregation shall receive outside help beyond five years. In that time all our Missions must either become self-supporting or be joined to a self-supporting circuit of congregations.

We have been making a good showing, and I believe that we can keep up the pace we have deliberately set for ourselves. It will involve hard work, especially on the part of the General Missionaries, but they have proved themselves both willing to undertake and able to carry out. We cannot congratulate ourselves too much, or thank God enough, for our General Missionaries. If their lives are spared and their successors are their equals, and if we can maintain the present high standing among our Clergy generally, the rapid and substantial development of the Church in Arkansas is assured, and the feeble beginning with which we enter upon this century will grow into a great Church of at least two strong Dioceses before its close.

COPY OF LETTER BY BISHOP BROWN TO THE BOARD OF
MANAGERS FOR THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN
MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Little Rock, Ark., May 1, 1901.

To the Board of Managers for the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society:

Brethren— I beg your permission to occupy, not to exceed, twenty minutes of your valuable time in giving you the reasons why the proposed annual reduction of 20 per cent in the appropriation made by you in February, 1899, should not, so far as Arkansas is concerned, be put into operation for at least ten years to come.

1. As the first of the reasons, I offer the fact that my policy of administering the Missionary funds for work among the white people of Arkansas is calculated to accomplish the objects which I conceive the Board had in view when it passed the resolution providing for a systematic reduction of appropriations to organized Dioceses.

According to my understanding, these objects are two, namely, (1) the prevention of the use of the funds of the Society for what are rightly regarded as the illegitimate purposes of aiding congregations that are making no advance towards a self-supporting condition and the maintenance of superannuated or incompetent Clergymen in Mission fields; and (2) the saving (by the correction of these abuses, which are sapping the resources of the Society and stunting the growth of the Church) of a sufficient amount to pay appropriations without the creation of the deficits, which, as matters had long been running, were a continual source of great anxiety to the Board of Managers and the Secretaries.

These being the manifest objects in view, I hope to make it appear that there is really no valid reason why the appropriations for work among the white people of Dioceses should be reduced while the appropriations for this purpose to Missionary Jurisdictions are continued without reduction.

If it could be conclusively shown that the abuses which the Board is trying to correct are less chargeable against Missionary Jurisdictions than against Dioceses, or that the jurisdictions for the next ten years will be in greater need of unreduced appropriations than Arkansas, you would find me willing to give up my case without further pleadings. But on this occasion of supreme importance to my life's work, I center a great deal of hope in the conviction that such a showing cannot be made and that on the contrary I can make exactly the opposite to appear to the full satisfaction of every member of the Board.

I shall have no difficulty in convincing you all that the abuses which you have resolved to correct do not, under my administration, obtain in Arkansas. In proof of this assertion, I will quote from my address to the last Diocesan Council which was held before your action providing for the 20 per cent reduction was taken. This is what I said, and it is a condensed repetition of what I announced and dwelt upon at considerable length the year before: "I want," I declared, "to make one feature of the Missionary policy of the Bishop and Diocesan Missionary Committee so clear that there can be no mistake about it. We do not propose to give any congregation very large or long continued appropriations. It would be wrong to do so for two reasons: (1) the congregation and Clergymen concerned would be pauperized; (2) the resources at our disposal would be absorbed by a few favored people, to the neglect of the many isolated members of the Church scattered everywhere through the Diocese.

"I gave notice almost immediately upon coming to the Diocese, and at the last Council, that, after the first year, all appropriations would be reduced at the rate of 20 per cent each year. The first reduction took effect on September 1, 1899. The next appropriation, which will be made on September 1, 1900, will be 20 per cent less. An appropriation of \$100 on September 1, 1898, would, according to our inflexible policy, be reduced to \$80 on September 1,

1899; to \$60 on September 1, 1900; to \$40 on September 1, 1901; to \$20 on September 1, 1902; and no appropriation would be made on September 1, 1903. The Bishop and Board believe that the manifest justice, wisdom and necessity of their policy will commend it to all.

"We recognize the possibility of very exceptional cases, where an appropriation should stand unreduced for a year or two, and accordingly the Board concedes the right of appeal to the Council on the part of the Missionary and congregation concerned. If the Council in any such rare instance recommends any departure from our policy, we will, of course, be governed accordingly."

So much from my last Council address. When I went to Arkansas, I found that five or six Mission congregations, which had been receiving aid for many years, were absorbing nearly all the Missionary fund. One of these congregations has already been forced to a self-supporting condition. The stipend of another has been reduced from \$200 to \$100, and it will give that up at the close of the present fiscal year. The others are each receiving \$100 less than when I took up the work; and a year ago the entire stipend of \$250 was taken from a superannuated Clergyman whose support I am making a successful effort to provide for by private subscriptions.

I have not time to tell you how I develop Missions into self-supporting Parishes and Circuits, but I did it as the General Missionary of Ohio, and I am doing it as the Bishop of Arkansas. My Missionary policy has passed beyond the theoretical and experimental stages, and its success in two difficult Mission fields demonstrates the practicability of the greatly needed reforms which the Board of Managers have undertaken.

No congregation of my Diocese will receive outside aid beyond five years; many not so long, and some of our newly organized Missionary districts will be self-supporting from the beginning. I will guarantee this to be the case and you may make the fulfillment of this pledge a condition upon which you will continue the appropriation from year to year until I have had a fair chance to develop my great Missionary field. Will any of the Missionary Bishops do more than this? If not, why, in view of the wise reforms determined upon, do you reduce my appropriation and continue theirs the same? I hope that so far I have made it clear that my policy of administering Missionary funds, being in essential accord with the new reformatory policy of the Board, constitutes one good, if not indeed all sufficient reason why the 20 per cent annual reduction should not be made in the case of Arkansas, so long as our need of your help can be shown to be as great as that of any of the Missionary Jurisdictions.

This is as good a place as any for me to say that I firmly believe the Board of Managers to be on the right track, and that I earnestly hope that you will not abandon it. All that I recommend and ask, is that you will extend the main line so as to reach

the Missionary Jurisdictions, as well as the Dioceses, and that you **w**ill build the necessary emergency side tracks and spurs.

But, it will be asked, if you insist that your Mission stations **s**hall become either self-supporting Parishes or Circuits in five **y**ears, why cannot the Board of Managers insist with equal **j**ustice that your Diocese shall become self supporting in a like period? **I** will now answer this question in my second reason why the **a**ppropriation to Arkansas should not be reduced for the next ten years.

2. The second reason why the proposed reduction should not, **f**or the present, be made in the case of Arkansas, is found in the **f**act that our Missionary field is so vast that it cannot possibly, **e**ven with an unreduced appropriation, be developed to anything **l**ike respectable proportions in less than ten years.

There are seventy-five counties in the Diocese; in nearly all **o**f which the population is rapidly increasing. At present there are **f**ifty of these counties in which there is no organized representation of the Church. When you made the conditional appropriation of \$4,500, and I found that I could keep my part of the contract, **I** made my plans for the building of five churches each year in as **m**any important places. If you will continue the appropriation, and if God will continue His blessing upon my undertakings, the **s**uccess of my plans, which also contemplate the placing of at **l**east two more Clergymen in the field annually, is morally certain.

A yearly increase of five churches and two rectories and two **M**issionaries as the minimum growing out of the help and stimulus of your present generous appropriation, is surely all that can **r**easonably be expected. But if these expectations are fully realized, we shall have at the end of ten years, with what we now have, **a**n average of only one church for each county.

In the course of the next ten years the population of Arkansas **w**ill almost certainly reach 2,000,000. By that time we shall, by **t**he carrying out of our plans, have a total of not to exceed forty **P**arochial Clergymen in the field; that is, one Clergyman to every **50,000** of our inhabitants. Surely none will contend that it will **b**e a misappropriation of the Board's funds to help an organized **D**iocese to reach a degree of development when it shall have one **C**lergyman to every 50,000 of its population. In accomplishing this **w**e shall have enough to do, for at this time we have in Arkansas **o**nly one Parochial Clergyman to every 125,000 of the inhabitants.

The impossibility of developing the Missionary field of **A**rkansas to respectable proportions is a strong reason why the Board **s**hould not withdraw its support for the next ten years.

3. As another reason why this should not be done, I **r**espectfully call the attention of the Board to the fact that, if extent of **P**opulation be taken as the basis of comparison, instead of square **m**iles, the Diocese of Arkansas so far has had, and is now having, **c**omparatively little help from the Society which this Board represents with such fidelity and ability.

Arkansas falls far short of having as many square miles, but she has according to the last census, 135,000 more souls than Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Idaho, New Mexico, Arizona and Alaska.

I am not saying that square miles should not enter into the calculation, and that the Board does wrong in giving at least \$50,000 a year to the 200,000 souls thinly scattered over the vast area of those eight States and Territories. But I do venture to make the point that, unless it can be shown that the Church is more highly developed in Arkansas than the Missionary Jurisdiction of those Western regions, or that our people are more able than theirs to help themselves, the \$4,500 which the Board has appropriated for work among our 1,311,564 people cannot equitably, and I may add wisely, be reduced, while the 1,200,000 of the above mentioned States and Territories are granted \$50,000 annually.

Now, is the Church more highly developed in Arkansas than in the great Northwest, and, therefore, less in need of the proportionately little help that she is receiving from the Board? No. For as I have said we have only one Parochial Clergyman to every 125,000 of our population, while those Missionary districts average one to every 50,000 of the population. That is to say the 1,200,000 to whom you are giving more than \$50,000 annually have proportionately two and one-half times more Clergymen than the 1,300,000 to whom you are giving less than \$5,000.

I may add by way of showing our comparative weakness, that the Church in the Northwest has one communicant to every 163 of the population, while we, in Arkansas, have only one communicant to every 560 of our population.

Nor are the people of Arkansas better able to support the Church unaided than those of the Northwest. The contrary will appear sufficiently from the fact that our banking credit is only \$4.80 per capita, while their's average about \$36.

It appears, then, that the Church in Arkansas is much weaker than in the Northwest, and that the people there are financially nine times better able to help themselves, and, yet, they are receiving ten times more help from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

I submit that this showing constitutes a good, and, in itself, sufficient reason why the proportionately little which Arkansas is now receiving should not be reduced.

Let me say a word in this connection on behalf of the South in general. In my very humble judgment this distinguished and judicious Board will make, so far as I know, the only great mistake of its long and honorable history, if it withdraws its invaluable support from our Missionary work among the white population of the Southern Dioceses for the next twenty-five years. The largest, altogether the largest, Missionary fields of this country to-day are in the South and not in the Northwest. There is not one of all the Western Missionary districts, souls, not square miles, being

the basis of comparison, that will, in respect to size or opportunity, or need, compare favorably as a Missionary field with, for example, Arkansas.

Not only, as matters now stand, are by far the greatest Missionary fields to be found in the South, but the fact ought to be recognized that so far as the United States is concerned, it is no longer "Westward," but rather "Southward," "the star of Empire takes its course;" it is no longer "Go West," but "Go South, young man."

The next fifty years belong to the great undeveloped, rapidly increasing, fertile, sunny South, and not to the comparatively bleak and sterile regions of the Rocky Mountains which already have nearly all the population that they can sustain.

The impossibility of developing the Missionary field of Arkansas so that we shall have an average of more than one church per county and one Clergyman for every 50,000 of the population, and the fact that in proportion to our population we are now receiving less than one-tenth of what the Board is appropriating to the Western Missionary districts, constitute good reasons why the Diocese of Arkansas should continue to receive the appropriation of \$4,500 without reduction for at least the next ten years.

4. I hope that the Board will not resent it if I should plead as a fourth reason why the appropriation to Arkansas should not be reduced at present, the fact that Arkansas has not yet had the benefit of the increased appropriation for two years. In this connection, I can do no better than to quote from a letter to your highly esteemed Associate Secretary in reply to a communication of his from which it appeared to me that the Board misunderstood a panic-stricken protest of mine against the reduction, for, I will admit, that when the news of your action first reached me, I was too badly scared to write calmly. But after the daze passed off a little, I wrote to him as follows: "The action of the Board of Managers is in exact accordance with my understanding of the matter. I had no idea that the conditional appropriation so kindly made to my poor Diocese was binding beyond a year or beyond the resources at their command."

"I remember that you made this clear to me, so much so that I felt some hesitancy about putting my plans, which had been approved by the Board, into operation, lest I might not be able to operate them more than a year or two; for it would in that case be a useless waste of money. You seemed to agree with me and encouraged me to hope that if the developments in Arkansas were satisfactory to the Board and its income was sufficient it would doubtless be disposed to continue the appropriation from year to year, so that I might be enabled to carry out my ten years' scheme of work and thereby get Arkansas out of the rut upon self-supporting ground. I also talked the outlook over with one of the older members of the Board, I think the Bishop of Long Island, and he was of your opinion.

"I do not argue that these expressions of sympathy and good will bound the Board, but they were straws of hope, and I am sure that no member of the Board, who realizes my situation, will blame me for grasping at them.

"But I based the hope of a continuation of the Board's appropriation for more than a year chiefly upon the ground that nearly all of its members are experienced Missionaries and practical business men. Several of them are Bishops, and others are rectors of great Parishes which carry on Missionary enterprises that cost much more than all that I can hope to secure from every source for my vast undeveloped field; and all the members must have been selected for their positions of great responsibility because of well-known and acknowledged aptitude for practical business affairs. I felt that in my two addresses, one before the Board in September, 1899, and the other before the Executive Committee in October of the same year, I had convinced a good majority of your members of the desperate weakness, but great opportunities, of the Church in Arkansas, and that such Bishops, rectors and business men, being so far convinced of the truth of my representations as to vote me what I asked for, would not, unless it became absolutely necessary by want of income, withdraw the appropriation, so long as I carried out my exceedingly difficult part of the contract."

Brethren of the Board, I beg of you not to take unfavorable action in respect to this plea for the continuation of the whole appropriation to Arkansas. Make any conditions that commend themselves to you, but let me have the \$4,500 per year without reduction until I have had reasonable time to put the Diocese of Arkansas on as good footing as that now occupied by the Western Missionary districts.

I have the honor of subscribing myself with great respect,

Very cordially and gratefully yours.

WM. M. BROWN,

Bishop of Arkansas.

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The following articles which appeared in the February and March, 1901, numbers of the "Spirit of Missions" are of sufficient historical interest to justify printing in the Journal for preservation.

ARKANSAS AS A MISSION FIELD.

I. THE STATE.

The name "Arkansas" means "the land of the handsome Indian man;" and tradition has it that the men among the copper-colored aborigines of North America who inhabited this region were taller, straighter and more regular in feature than other Indians. If there is any truth in this tradition, it is largely accounted for by the fact that Arkansas has an exceptionally fine climate, and that it is a land of beautiful rivers, sparkling springs and magnificent

forests. The necessaries of life have always been readily procured here; the rivers and lakes are full of fish; in the woods, game, nuts and wild fruits are plentiful, while the hot and other mineral springs abound in health-giving properties. The first settlers of Arkansas were Frenchmen, who in 1670 took up their abode in the southeastern part of the State, in the broad and fertile valley of the Mississippi River; but to-day there remains scarcely a vestige of their settlements.

Arkansas was a part of the great "Louisiana Purchase" from the French government in 1803. It was organized into a territory in 1819, and admitted into the Union as a State in 1836. A glance at the map of the United States will convince those who are accustomed to regard the State as a far-off land that it is really quite centrally, and from a commercial point of view, most desirably located.

Topographically Arkansas is divided into mountains, table and lowlands. The lowlands are in the southeastern part of the State; the rise is toward the northwest. The world-renowned Hot Springs and many other mineral waters are scattered everywhere through the mountain region. Mount Magazine, between Little Rock and Fort Smith, near the Arkansas river, rises over 2,000 feet above the level of the sea, and is the highest point between the the Alleghany and Rocky Mountains. It and Eureka Springs, Mount Mena, Winthrop, and other elevations of nearly the same height, are rapidly becoming popular summer resorts which draw their patronage chiefly from St. Louis, Kansas City and the Northwest.

It is popularly supposed that the lowlands of Arkansas are hopelessly swampy. We have some swamps, but most of them are redeemable. However, leaving them all out of the calculation, we still have a larger area of dry land which is never overflowed than either Ohio or Indiana contains. Indeed, as matters now stand, few of our States have less of waste lands, and our swamps will sometime be among the most valuable agricultural portions of Arkansas. It may be stated without fear of intelligent contradiction that nowhere in the country are there better farming lands. Owing to geographical position, the climatic conditions, the different elevations and the variety of soils, nearly everything can be profitably produced here that can be raised elsewhere in North America. Arkansas is one of the most heavily timbered countries in the United States, and it is said that her forests contain eighty varieties of wood in sufficient quantities for commercial purposes. The State has nearly as much coal as Pennsylvania, and in the number and amount of her minerals she is not outranked by any of her sisters. She is also blessed with far more than the average mileage of navigable streams, having, it is said, 3,000 miles of such water courses. Until recently there have been comparatively few railroads, and this defect has greatly retarded the development of the State. At present Arkansas is leading all other States in the important item of railroad building.

It will be asked by those who are aware of the financial condition of Arkansas, "Why, if this representation is correct, is the State financially the poorest in the Union, with a banking credit of only \$4.86 *per capita*." The explanation is found in the fact that Arkansas was originally a densely wooded country, and its almost impenetrable forests, which were of little value until recently, stopped immigration, or turned it around the State into Texas. Moreover, she was one of the thirteen Confederate States, and the war was especially disastrous to her. Owing to the then isolated condition of the State it was the El Dorado of the political adventurers of the "reconstruction" or "carpet-bag" period and the wholesale robberies committed by them produced an almost total paralysis, from which the people are only now, after thirty-five years, beginning to recover.

The bad laws and name which Arkansas inherited from the dreadful period which succeeded the Civil War have made her until recently a by-word at the North and East, and prevented their capitalists from making the investments which have gone so far toward developing and enriching neighboring States. But eastern capital and enterprise are now beginning to turn the unfailing forests into lumber, opening up the inexhaustible mines and causing the fertile lands to yield, in astonishing abundance, a greater variety of agricultural products than is produced in any other State. Now that the day of prosperity has dawned, everybody who knows anything about her really wonderful resources realizes that Arkansas is destined to take first rank among the Southern States. All admit that the future of this country lies with the new South.

According to the last census, the population of Arkansas is 1,311,564, of which about 400,000 are colored. The inhabitants are distributed with unusual evenness throughout the State; there are no large towns. Little Rock, the capital and chief city, has only 40,000 inhabitants, but it is growing rapidly. The last census shows that, in respect to its increase of population and other elements of growth, it is fourth among thirty of the leading cities of the South.

But the shiftless, benighted, squalid condition of almost the entire negro population and some even of the ignorant whites, baffles description and causes the hearts of Missionary workers to sink within them. That the natural resources of the country are exceptionally good is evident from the fact that it sustains so many "from hand to mouth" people. This is perhaps as good a place as any for confessing that the Episcopal Church in Arkansas has only one poorly supported Mission for the negroes, and we are doing about as much for them as any of the other bodies of Christians. In the present weak condition of the white churches they cannot be expected to support many colored Missions. The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society's Commission for Work among Colored People gives us \$400 per year for this work, \$100 for each 100,000 of our colored population! So far we have been

receiving no other outside help. Is it any wonder that so little is being done by us for the uplifting of the negro race? The Bishop reports that he is sadly in need of \$5,000 for the founding of Missions combined with Industrial Schools.

It must not be inferred from our reference to the shiftless character of a portion of our white population that Arkansas has an exceptionally low percentage of educated and refined people. Our white inhabitants, take them as they come, can hold their own with "the rank and file" of any other State in the Union. In almost every community there is a large proportion of men and women who, but for the fact that they are poor, could take and maintain their place in any social circle in the country. For, as Bishop Brown has said: "They have inherited a genuine culture and gentle refinement which money cannot buy and which the ravages of war and the robberies of the reconstruction period could not despoil them."

The Bishop and his general Missionaries find that the Episcopal Church appeals strongly to the large class of people and their presence makes Missionary work much easier here than in many other States. Bishop Brown affirms that with the same resources, two Missions can be successfully planted and developed in Arkansas to one in the Diocese of Ohio. For several years he was General Missionary in Ohio, so he ought to know.

II. LOOKING BACKWARD.

The venerable Bishop Pierce once said in the hearing of the writer: "There are now more Bishops west of the Mississippi River than there were priests and deacons when I, as a young man, went to Texas to take up Missionary work." Arkansas was created a Missionary Jurisdiction and the Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., became its first Bishop in 1838. Thus Arkansas was the first Missionary Jurisdiction and Dr. Polk was the first trans-Mississippian Bishop. Bishop Polk was a prominent citizen of Louisiana, and when, in 1841, that State was made a Missionary Jurisdiction, he was, at the request of the people, transferred to it. Thus he had charge of Arkansas only about three years, but in that time he visited the chief settlements of the State. Among other places he came to Little Rock, which, at the time, had only about 800 white inhabitants, and founded Christ Church, the mother Parish of Arkansas.

For three years Bishop Otey, of Tennessee, was acting Bishop of Arkansas. In 1844 the Rev. George Washington Freeman, D. D., was consecrated to the Missionary Episcopate of Arkansas and the Southwest. At that time there was not a single Clergyman of the Episcopal Church in the State. After his first visitation the new Bishop wrote: "The progress of the Church must, of necessity, be slow for some time to come; the people are poor and few, yet I doubt not that the labors of an able and prudent Missionary would

find it productive of much fruit to the honor and praise of God's Holy Name." Bishop Freeman died in 1858, after an arduous Episcopate of fourteen years. Owing to the lack of money and men he was unable to accomplish much permanent work. The Civil War, which was so disastrous to the Church of the South in general, swept away nearly all the foundations laid by him. There is no church or other ecclesiastical building erected in this day to perpetuate the memory of this Bishop, who, being the first to really cast his lot with our people and to die in the field, is entitled to be regarded as the Apostle of the great Southwest. Even his grave in Mount Holly Cemetery, Little Rock, is marked only by a little headstone, is ordinarily passed by unnoticed, and cannot be found by a stranger without much difficulty.

The Rt. Rev. Henry Champlain Lay, S. T. D., who succeeded Bishop Freeman, was consecrated on the eve of the Civil War, and when it was over he reported that there was not a single Clergyman in Arkansas having charge of a congregation. There were two or three in the State, but their church buildings had been destroyed and their people so impoverished that they were obliged to go to cotton raising in order to support their families. After endeavoring to make brick without straw for ten years until 1869, the Bishop accepted an election to the Episcopate of the newly-established Diocese of Easton. The poverty of his people and the lack of response to his appeals to the Church prevented him from accomplishing much in Arkansas, but he did the Church at large an estimable service, for which he should ever be held in grateful remembrance. He was one of the two Southern Bishops who attended the first General Convention after the war held in old St. Andrew's, Philadelphia, and, as the writer was told by an eyewitness to the important and historic scene, it was owing chiefly to the dignity and tact displayed by Bishop Lay and Bishop Atkinson and to the magnanimity of Bishop Coxé that the Church escaped the misfortune of a geographical division such as was perpetuated by the Methodists, Presbyterians and others.

Though Bishop Lay was a hard worker, when he left Arkansas there were only eight congregations of the Church in the State. All of these are still existing, and it is noteworthy as showing that the weakness of the Church in Arkansas is not due to the character of the population; in none of those places does our congregation take second rank, and in several of them we easily stand first. They are located at Little Rock, Washington, Helena, Pine Bluff, Camden, Fayetteville, Van Buren, and Batesville, and with the exception of Christ Church, Little Rock, St. John's, Helena, and Grace Church, Washington, these are small and poor. There is no record of the communicants, but it is almost certain that the total number fell short of 500.

The fourth Bishop of Arkansas was the Rt. Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., consecrated in 1870. His first report to the Board of Missions, made in October, 1870, shows that of the congregations

mentioned above, only two, Christ Church, Little Rock, and St. John's, Helena, had at that time become self-supporting.

During the earlier years of Dr. Pierce's Episcopate the blight of the terrible "reconstruction" period was still upon the land. His people could do practically nothing to help him plant and sustain Missions, and as he was unsuccessful in his attempts to secure money at the North and East, he had to do the best he could with altogether inadequate financial support and clerical help. Towards the close of his life Arkansas commenced to increase rapidly in population, but his advancing age and the lack of resources made it impossible for him to take anything like full advantage of the multiplying opportunities for the planting and developing of the Church.

The war rendered the maintenance of a Missionary Jurisdiction in the South impossible. Arkansas, therefore, became a Diocese. When the war ended, Bishop Lay felt that, as the Church was so desperately weak and poor, Arkansas should again become a Missionary Jurisdiction. This was done, but to the great dissatisfaction of some of the leading churchmen of the South. Bishop Pierce and the leaders among the few Clergymen and Laymen of Arkansas sympathized with the Southern Bishops, and in 1871 reorganized the Church in Arkansas into a Diocese.

Bishop Pierce shortly before his death stated that over and above the \$1,500 per year appropriated by the Board of Missions for the work of Church extension in Arkansas he had not received so much as \$1,000 in the course of the twenty-nine years of his Episcopate. We are glad to note that our brethren of the North and East whom God has blessed with means and a disposition to help the Bishops of great Missionary fields, are waking up to the needs and possibilities of the Southwest and that therefore Bishop Brown's Episcopate bids fair to be an era of rapid growth for the Church in Arkansas.

LOOKING FORWARD.

When Bishop Brown came to us there were only six self-supporting Parishes, and three of these were so burdened with debt that but little could be expected from them toward the support of the great Missionary work to which he was called, and two of the others were so weak financially that they could barely stand alone. Two of these Parishes were located at Little Rock, and one each at Fort Smith, Hot Springs, Pine Bluff and Helena. There were also seven small Mission Parishes located at Eureka Springs, Van Buren, Batesville, Newport, Marianna, Forrest City, Camden, and Hope. The majority of these were without rectors and were dispirited by their weakness. The Bishop could not look for much Missionary help from such congregations. There were other places, perhaps a dozen in all, to be found in the Diocesan Journal and Church Almanac lists, but none of them had much if any more

than a name to live. They did not represent a hundred communicants nor \$500 towards the support of the services. Among these were Brinkley, Dardanelle, El Dorado, Imboden, Jonesboro, Lake Village, Mammoth Spring, Morrilton, Prescott and Rocky Comfort.

In his address to the General Convention at Washington a few months after his consecration, Bishop Brown said: "There are fifty-six counties in the Diocese of Arkansas in which we have at this time no organized representation of the Church, and 103 towns of from 300 to 5,000 inhabitants where the services are not maintained." The Bishop might have gone on to say that the Episcopal Church has only one communicant to every 451 of the population, one Parochial Clergyman to every 125,000; and that there are some counties in the State in which there is no resident pastor of any body of Christians. Bishop Pierce made or encouraged several attempts to found schools and hospitals, but at present there are no Church schools, and the only charitable institution in the Diocese is a very small and poorly supported orphanage at Helena.

The resources of Arkansas exceed those of Texas and equal those of Missouri. The growth of the State during Bishop Pierce's Episcopate is an indication of the development that may be expected when her dense forests have been cleared, her valuable mines opened, and her rich soil cultivated. In Bishop Polk's time there were only 30,000 people in Arkansas; at Bishop Freeman's death only 97,000. But in Bishop Lay's days they increased to 200,000, and in those of Bishop Pierce to 1,300,000. By way of illustrating the growth of Arkansas and the consequent opportunities of the Church, it is only necessary to state that there are towns in the State with as many as 3,000 inhabitants which were not in existence three years ago.

If Bishop Brown's plans for the development of his extensive field can be carried out, the Church in Arkansas will, from this on, not only keep pace with the remarkable growth of the State, but recover much of the lost ground. That his plans are practicable and capable of execution in case the requisite money can be secured will appear sufficiently evident from the fact that they were put into operation by him when he was the General Missionary of Ohio and worked for many years there with great success. A most encouraging feature of the Bishop's policy is the comparatively little money required for the development of this great Mission field. With \$9,000 a year in outside help he can support two General Missionaries, twelve or fifteen Circuit Missionaries, build each year five new churches, three rectories, and place three new Clergymen in the field. If this can be done, in ten years Arkansas will be a self-supporting and moderately strong Diocese. Of course all this could not be done with \$9,000, but the Bishop expects the people among whom the Church is newly planted or revived to do all they can for themselves. The new congregations this year chiefly through the efforts of the General Missionaries have furnished the Bishop \$8,300 of the funds required for the extensive work.

One of the Bishop's measures for the development of the Diocesan Mission field was the appointment of two Clergymen to serve as General Missionaries. He gave them the title of Archdeacon and divided the Diocese equally between them. The Rev. R. W. Rhames, M. A., is the Archdeacon of Eastern, and the Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., the Archdeacon of Western Arkansas. The appointment of these men, for all practical purposes, secures to Arkansas three Missionary Bishops. They are constantly going the rounds of their enormous jurisdictions, ministering to our many isolated people, visiting the new towns that are everywhere springing up and taking advantage of all good opportunities to plant the Church. Nor are they content with planting. They give much well-spent time to the helping of our younger or less experienced Missionaries to develop their stations into self-supporting Parishes or Missionary Circuits.

It is worthy of note that an important feature of the Bishop's plan is that no congregation shall receive aid for more than five years. In that time all Mission congregations must either develop into self-supporting Parishes or be joined to a self-supporting circuit of Missions. Upon coming to the Diocese the Bishop found that five or six congregations which had been receiving aid for many years were absorbing nearly all the Missionary funds. One of these congregations has already been forced to a self-supporting condition. The stipend of another has been reduced from \$200 to \$100, and it will give that up at the close of the present fiscal year. The others are each receiving \$100 less than they did two years ago, and the entire stipend of \$250 has been taken from a superannuated Clergyman for whose support the Bishop is making a successful effort to provide by private subscription.

Within the past twelve months five new churches have been erected and four good rectories built or bought at an aggregate cost of at least \$12,000, and there is not a cent of indebtedness upon any of these properties. The Diocese pays the Bishop's salary of \$1,500 and gives him \$1,000 toward his Missionary work. This is all we can possibly do for the present, but we shall gradually improve in our giving capacity. We wish that God would raise us up some benefactors who would build us three houses, one for the Bishop, and one for each of the Archdeacons. If we had the money with which to build these houses, ground could be secured for them.

APPENDIX III.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

We, the Committee on State of the Church, beg leave to record our profound thankfulness to Almighty God for the many manifestations of life and progress throughout the Diocese. Another twelve months have brought about a wonderful change—even the grand record of last year has been surpassed. Church people in

many of the towns and villages of the State who have been waiting and yearning for years for Episcopal and priestly visitations have at last been gladdened and strengthened by the gracious presence and tender and loving administration of our dear Diocesan and his faithful Archdeacons. Truly, it is with rejoicing hearts that we observe everywhere marks of encouragement. Thus we realize that the dawn is past, and high noon is at hand for the Church in Arkansas.

At the earnest solicitation of the Bishop, the Rev. Robert W. Forsyth, of St. Matthew's Church, Philadelphia, visited the Diocese in February in the interest of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. This reverend gentleman of splendid culture, of great charm of personality and of elocution, and powerful spiritual enthusiasm gave additional impulse to the Mission work.

The Conciliar year draws to a close, and the reports read in the Council show that under the wise administration inaugurated by the Bishop, the promise in last year's record of "constantly increasing growth and expansion" has been more than fulfilled. More than \$1,200 have been given this year for Diocesan Missions. This is truly the high-water mark, for it means twice as much as has ever been given before in the history of the Diocese. Seven churches have been built and consecrated—not including Christ Church, established in 1839 by the Rt. Rev. Leonidas Polk, first Missionary Bishop of Arkansas and the Southwest, which has been justly called the Mother Church of the West and Southwest, which is to be consecrated on Sunday next (May 12). On that happy occasion the gifted and eloquent Bishop of Tennessee is to preach the consecration sermon. A \$5,000 organ will be placed within her hallowed walls by next fall.

Several rectories have been built and paid for. A beautiful rectory costing \$3,000 will be completed in Trinity Parish, Pine Bluff, without one cent of debt on it.

Trinity Cathedral has been verily restored to vigorous life, after a period of orphanage caused by the death of Bishop Pierce. With the same loving enthusiasm disseminated by Bishop Brown wherever he may be, he has collected the scattered flock, assisted ably by Dean Robottom, and it is now being cared for "in a good pasture."

The confirmations have been unprecedented throughout the Diocese. The Bishop's report of his individual work within and without the Diocese for which he has sacrificed health and means, must be gleaned necessarily from the pages of the Journal. The thanks of the Diocese are sincerely and gratefully tendered to him as a faithful Shepherd, and to the many friends East, who have been so responsive to his earnest appeals in behalf of the Diocese.

The Woman's Auxiliary, under the leadership of Mrs. J. B. Pillow, of St. John's Branch, Helena, having become familiar with the method of work, has lent a helping hand to the Bishop and his Clergy. The reports for the several branches now in operation

in the Diocese prove that its influence is largely on the increase, and is felt to be a modest but significant factor by the Board of Missions.

The Daughters of the King, for the first time, are holding a State convention in connection with our Diocesan Council. It would be impossible for your committee to speak too highly of the wonderful and beautiful work this blessed order of consecrated women, here and there, are accomplishing in the several Parishes of the Diocese. Your committee would recommend to every Clergyman, who may be without this order in his Parish, to establish a Chapter at once, for it will mean a spiritual uplift to you and your Parish.

May the Great Head of the Church, and the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, bless our beloved Diocesan (and restore him to health again), the Clergy and the Laity; and may we all daily increase in His Holy Spirit more and more until we come unto His everlasting kingdom.

G. GORDON SMEADE.
For the Committee.

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK BY ARCHDEACON RHAMES.

To the Bishop and Brethren of the Diocese of Arkansas:

One year ago the Missionary territory of Eastern Arkansas was a vast unoccupied field, numbering forty-five stations. These places contained from two or three to twenty-five members, excepting in the old "Immanuel" Parish, Chicot County, which numbered about forty souls. I have now a corrected list of all the Church people in this field, and have enrolled 322 not known officially in the Diocese of Arkansas before. This was verily a "flock without a shepherd."

It was my first duty to minister to these people. As a Clergyman of the Church, Church people have a claim on me wherever I go, at all times and in all places. I invariably find them faithful and loyal. I only know of one church member in all Eastern Arkansas who does not want to see me, and thinks it is foolish for Episcopalians to try to do anything. But there is one real living specimen of a timid faithless churchman. He was surprised when I found him, and offered me some serious advice, urging me to give up a useless task. I could give you his name so that you might avoid meeting his cold-blooded discouragements, but I fear this might prejudice him against the reformation I have planned for his case. On the whole I am proud of the Missionary congregation of Eastern Arkansas. I deem it equal to any congregation of like numbers in the State in intelligence, wealth, and social and political influence. I know them by name, I enjoy visiting them in their homes, I feel grateful for their continued and generous hospitality. We talk over life's problems, matters of joy and sorrow,

matters of education and business, and wherever occasion offers the Church's sacraments of the Grace of Jesus Christ our Lord are administered.

But as Archdeacon it is not my duty to minister to the Church people only. While doing this it is my special duty to work for the extension of Christ's kingdom. The scattered Church people are in one sense the most important members of the Church. They are scattered abroad to prepare the way of the Lord in all cities whither He Himself shall come. They are missionaries themselves, and helpers of those whom the Church sends forth. We propose to find them and follow them, make them the foundation of the work of God throughout the land.

It has been impossible to give regular services to all these forty-five places, and so several places were combined, to be regarded temporarily as districts to be put in charge of Clergymen. Salaries of \$800 were provided for three of these districts, and early last fall Dr. Norton took charge of Searcy and Brinkley, where churches were already built, and Des Arc, Lonoke and Devall's Bluff, where the Church people subscribed for the maintenance of service once a month.

About the same time Rev. W. P. Browne took charge of Jonesboro, where a church was built, arrangements being made for monthly services at Paragould and Osceola. Both these fields have made remarkable progress during the year. The Searcy Chapel was consecrated on June 14, and the Jonesboro Church on January 22. Classes for confirmation have been presented at both places, and we may henceforth look upon St. Mark's, Jonesboro, and Trinity, Searcy, as permanent centers for Church work in the Diocese, and homes for resident Clergymen. If these Clergymen had not come I could have done little more the past year than partially look after these places, without doing much for the rest of the field.

Being released from the care of eight of the most important Missions, I found the greatest chance for development in the southeastern district. Early last summer church buildings were projected for Arkansas City, Monticello and Lake Village. The combination of resources and opportunities have produced different results. At Arkansas City a building was undertaken, planned for conversion into a seven-room rectory. It is not, therefore, quite churchly in exterior appearance. But it is finished nicely within and without, and furnished with polished oak furniture intended for the future church, at a total cost of \$1,100. This building stands on one of the best quarter blocks in the city, fronting the new courthouse, and the whole property is easily worth \$1,500.

At Monticello the wisest investment for the Church seemed to be the purchase of a quarter block centrally located with a dwelling house on it capable of being converted into a chapel seating seventy-five persons, and leaving four living rooms. This property was bought for \$1,000, and with about \$100 expended on remodel-

ing, is now complete. The chapel is appropriately finished and furnished (by gifts from St. John's, Helena; and Trinity, Pine Bluff). The work was greatly assisted by the services of Mr. Walter Bruce, of Helena, during Lent. This property is conservatively estimated to be worth \$1,200.

Immanuel Parish, Chicot County, responded at once to the proposition to build again on the old church lot in Lake Village. But this Parish is a broad domain. Its members are scattered over the whole county, and it required several days traveling in skiff up and down Lake Chicot, and over the wide plantations through Sunnyside, Lakeport, Lee's Landing, Alexanders, Cariola and Big Lake, in order to get the necessary subscriptions. This work brought me to homes which had not been visited by a Church Clergyman since the war. The building undertaken at Lake Village is a churchly structure on Gothic lines, seating 150, with large vestry room and entrance porches. It stands "Half down the village street," fronting the lake which is fast becoming famous as a pleasure resort of the South. This church is finished and furnished inside in hard pine natural color and will cost \$1,000. The property is worth \$1,200.

Another desirable movement of the past year was the establishment of the Church in Conway. I made three or four ineffectual visits except to learn the lay of the land. I then determined upon pursuing a course of aggressive Missionary effort. I borrowed the old Methodist church and announced services for two weeks three times a day. The hours of service painted on strips of canvas were tacked on the sides of the church and over the front door. The bell was rung promptly and the attendance and interest gradually increased. At the close of this effort I had a class of eight for confirmation, and former members of the church were enrolled. It now became necessary to provide a home for this congregation, and we advanced from borrowing to buying the old Methodist church. The building was owned by a benevolent gentleman, Colonel W. W. Martin. It stands on a corner of three lots centrally located, and was offered to the Episcopallians of Conway for the extremely low sum of \$400, in yearly installments of \$100. This offer was promptly accepted. The first \$100 was given by the people of Conway, and the building refitted and interior walls decorated in water color, apple green with stencil borders in red and gold by the church members themselves. The organ was given by Colonel J. G. B. Simms. The deed has been executed and placed in escrow. A guild has been formed to look after the future payments, and St. Peter's Church, Conway, is a living reality, with an organized Sunday School of twenty-five members. These are the tangible results of new church building in Eastern Arkansas during the past year.

But there is another church acquired in the reopening and revival of services in the old church at Medford. Church services had not been held there in twelve or fifteen years, and the building

had been actually locked up for at least five or six years, since the last service of any kind had been held. The dust lay thick on the furniture and the wasps had built their nests undisturbed for several summers all over the ceiling and on the chandeliers. But the people came gladly to the call for service on Sunday morning, May 28. Large bouquets of spring roses were placed upon the altar and prayer desk. The voices of men and maidens joined in prayer and praise, and after service the whole congregation stayed to organize a Sunday School, and to appoint a committee to raise a sum for regular Sunday services.

While accomplishing these results, opportunities have been opening in other places. Guilds have been formed in Dumas, Clarendon, and Pocahontas, each of which has funds on hand for church building. Dumas is called Grace Church; Clarendon, Christ Church, and Pocahontas, Ascension. But it must be remembered that the church work is entirely a new thing in these places, and may require time. I confidently expect, however, to build in these promising places soon.

In holding services during the past year, I have been governed by the needs of the places. Every place was visited and a service always held. But whenever a place needed special attention, a "Mission" was held from five to ten days. Such special efforts have been made in Searcy and Jonesboro, as assistance to the newly placed Clergy, and in Des Arc, Pocahontas, Arkansas City, Monticello, Morrilton and Conway, under my own charge. These "Missions" have done good everywhere. The great work of a Missionary is not finding old members, or building churches after all, but it is preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and teaching men to love and obey the Master. Then these continued services give opportunity for training the people in the Prayer Book services, which is the most effective means of breaking down prejudice, as well as displacing the ignorance in which that prejudice is rooted.

It is remarkable what large congregations will turn out to hear the preacher that wears a gown, and to see how the Prayer Book service is worked. But it is a fatal mistake to let them have their way and sit and look on while a few Episcopallians, all more or less rusty, with feeble and uncertain voices and often in a badly lighted room, emphasize, by a poor performance, what most outsiders already consider a difficult and complex undertaking. This method caricatures the church service from the first. Church services were never intended as play worship to be rendered for the entertainment of an audience. It is intended that the dearly beloved who have a mind to come to the service shall open the books and join heartily in response and psalter, in creed and prayer. The Church Missionary must have Prayer Books and teach the people how to use them, and get them to use them from the very first. My way of doing this is simple. Tell the people the truth. Tell them it is easy to find the places in the Prayer

Book if they will open the books and try. Tell them they will enjoy the service if they will join in. Tell them they will go away disappointed if they simply look on. Tell them looking at worship is one great cause for modern nonchurch going. Tell them you dare not allow the practice of looking at religious worship to continue, but that the settled conclusions of historic Christianity as expressed in the Church to which you belong, demand that you ask everybody to find the places and join in the service. The result will not be disappointing. Young and old will take your advice. They will feel as though they were having a special treat, and before you leave you will have requests from outsiders for copies of the Prayer Book to take home. This will be a great gain. The way to introduce the Episcopal Church into a community and make it take root there and grow, is not by the song of theory or the heat of argument or the coloring of ritual, but by actual demonstration of what it is when heartily and honestly used.

The point that I would emphasize is that we must be in earnest, terribly in earnest, in all Missionary work. This will carry the conviction that we mean what we say, even if we do say it out of a book, and the influence will be reflective for the earnest saying of the wholesome words which are taught us by our Mother Church will make us happier and purer in the service of God and man.

As I look back over the year, I remember many grand congregations, where hundreds of people joined heartily in the services, and thanked me warmly afterward for insisting on the use of the Prayer Book. All told, I have preached 234 times; baptized eleven, four of whom were adults; presented eighteen for confirmation; assisted in the consecration of four churches; solemnized two marriages; buried four, and celebrated Holy Communion twenty-one times. I have collected in cash for church buildings \$3,500, and have secured property worth \$6,100, and for church work in Arkansas, \$207.82. I have raised by pledges for ministerial support, \$2,300. Report in bank from guilds, \$250, making a sum total of \$6,257.82.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK BY VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.

"It seems so easy some soul to bless."

It makes a man's heart glad to see a garden springing up in vernal beauty, where there has been nothing but barren desert. It makes angels sing for joy, and Christ to see the travail of His soul when the beginnings of spiritual life and beauty appear in the midst of a moral wilderness. We bring you tidings of development and beauty.

There are, in the Archdeaconry of Western Arkansas, thirty-eight counties, covering an area equal to that of Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey combined. In seventeen of these counties

no service of the Church is held; and, so far as we know, never has been. Of the remaining twenty-one counties four have had services the past year for the first time. It is our purpose by the help of God, that the service of the Church shall be said at some point in every county within the district.

Within Western Arkansas there are twelve Parishes, and we have had the glad privilege, during the year, of preaching the word from every pulpit, save one; and of assisting in the services of them all. There are six Missions, and sixteen preaching stations, in all of which sermons have been preached, and other services rendered. We have preached more than three hundred times, besides delivering numerous addresses, superintending Sunday Schools, presiding over guilds and vestries, canvassing for church funds, repairing edifices, building new chapels, and redeeming forfeited church property. To accomplish these ends we have written nearly two thousand letters, and traveled more than eighteen thousand miles.

A kind Providence favored us with health and strength, and opened the way to homes and hearts of many outside the Protestant Episcopal Church. The sincere courtesy of brethren of various denominations has been cordial and Christian; and we take occasion to publicly avow our grateful acknowledgments for kindnesses received. In two instances we passed the offertory of the service out of our hands for denominational work. Freely we received, freely we gave.

We have baptized thirty-four persons, nine of them adults. Some of these were within existing Parishes, but twenty-five were baptized at preaching stations, not one of whom would have received the holy ordinance by a minister of the Church, had it not been for our general missionary work, and some would not have been baptized at all. We have presented eight persons for confirmation—all from preaching stations. But baptism and confirmation are not the sum and end of responsibility. Only real Mission work, costly both in men and money, avails to melt away sectarian prejudice and ignorant apathy. Real change of attitude, like change of character, is a work of time.

Much of western Arkansas is won from the wilderness, but resources of every kind are on the fringe of a wonderful development. A marvelous diversity of valley, foothills and mountains afford a great range of altitude and climate within a short radius. Untold possibilities lie before us, in the way of material advancement. Shall there be equal progress in spiritual upbuilding? The commercial seer discerns a mighty future for this region of superlative attractiveness. Shall not the people of God hold what they have, and get what they can for the kingdom of Christ? Shall we not be intent in laying, deep and wide, the foundations for many generations?

The twenty-eight places where the Church is at work, or represented, may be designated as places new, and places old. And

there are many small places, with a population from fifty to five hundred, not only without a place for religious service, but with no religious appointment of any kind. The mining district of northwest Arkansas is attracting wide attention. There is promise of unprecedented development. They are entering that territory, through Eureka Springs and other gateways, by scores every day. There are thousands living in shacks and tents, with no religious privileges whatever. It may not be expedient to organize Missions in lumber camps and mining neighborhoods, but it is the mind of the Master that all His dispersed disciples should hear the truth; and as Arkansas must depend, for many years to come, on outside capital for the development of its abundant resources, so the Missionary ground can be held only as the generous East shall make it possible.

The places where the Church has long had a name to live may be classed as coming under the terms: Abandoned, Disabled, Recovered, Re-Formed.

1. *The Abandoned.* There are several such. Services have been held in but one—El Dorado, a thriving, prosperous town, the county seat of Union County. A whole block of land, vacant, where once stood a Chapel, not a shingle or vestige of which remains, represents the vanished constituency. By courtesy of the Presbyterians, two services were held in their church, and a child baptized. These two solitary services served to show the glowing of embers, under the ashes of neglect. People came forward and testified to their love of the Church, and desired that we visit them again. El Dorado is not overchurched. It is a busy commercial center. Our land should be occupied.

But some of the preaching stations are veritable life stations, rescuing wrecks from the sea of unfortunate and lost humanity. They can no more become churches than life-saving stations can become department stores. They never will be self-supporting, except by our Bishop's plan of connecting them with districts. They are in an undeveloped country, and with and for undeveloped material, for no matter from what degree of culture and luxury these people have come, in their new experience they must begin with neither and work toward both.

"The Episcopalians are among the Choctaws!" was a remark we overheard the other day, and probably designedly said in our hearing. Not far from Fort Smith stands a small village peopled by Choctaws, a quiet, peaceful place of intelligent inhabitants. Several times we had been asked to go there; and, at last, I went, and I saw, and I— I applied to the situation a modified form of Ruskin's four fundamental questions: (1) How came we to be there? (2) What were we there for? (3) How might we accomplish the purpose for which we went? (4) What prospects or assurances for the future? This last question the minister, holding a monthly service, answered for me, by saying that I could no longer hold service in his church. It was "three times and out." In those visits I baptized ten and prepared five for confirmation.

The people there, and almost everywhere, are glad to welcome a democratized Episcopacy at once evangelical and active. They seem to sense the difference, without reasoning, between a medieval and a modern, a Roman and an Anglican worship. They welcome us in town and hamlet, in school-house and church. Our fathers anticipated the movement of nations, when they voyaged the ocean and planted the sign of the cross in colonial Virginia. The Church has industriously followed the "March of Empire" across the continent, and extended her picket lines to the Isles of the Sea. Shall she not, we in Arkansas, turn toward the sons of our plains and the men of our mountains?

2. *The Disabled.* Disabled from various causes. We mention but one place—Washington, and one cause—depletion of population. Once the church in Washington was strong, now it is weak. No church in the Diocese has better standing in the eyes of the community where it exists, than Grace Church, Washington; and, in the eyes of the Chief Shepherd, we believe her to be as the widow in the temple, whose gift of two mites He lovingly commended. The few devoted souls in that deserted village are laboring unceasingly for Christ and His Church; and, in due season, they shall reap, if "they fa'nt not." This disabled church would be wholly without the priestly ministrations of the kingdom were it not for Diocesan Missions. There are other disabled churches that call for help. They have been stronger than they are to day. They have lost their hold. To get back to their places they must have help continued or help given. Never better than now can more be accomplished ecclesiastically with so little financially.

3. *The Recovered.* Material progress and prosperity have been achieved in our State under great difficulties, and after having encountered repeated disasters. Church life and Diocesan Missions have naturally shared in these difficulties and disasters, besides having others of their own. Prescott is recovered ground, harder in many respects than virgin soil. One year ago we reported it the most dilapidated and dirtiest church edifice we had ever seen—its condition beggared description. The faithful few, timidly at first, rallied to our aid. They have had trials, disappointments, backsliders, discouragements, not few nor small; but apathy of any sort cannot be removed except by action. A guild has been organized, and the Mission reorganized. In passing through Prescott, and as you note the newest roof in town, remember that it is the new covering of St. James's Church, now as clean within as the shingles are without, and when you shall see that building pray that in that city of twenty-five hundred souls we may fully regain our grip and our grit to the honor of God in the salvation of souls.

4. *The Re-Formed.* Remaking and making over are practices well known to every properly ordered household. For a time, there were in the charming city of Eureka Springs two congregations bearing the honored name of the Church. Barriers which

separated them dwindled till they at last distinguished rather than divided them. We labored with both, and for both, until on Easter Monday the situation was re-formed, and the constituency is no longer two, but one; "that the world may believe that God sent His Son to be the Prince of Peace." The members of Trinity Mission, like the believers mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles, "sold their possessions," and presented the deed and keys, in simple confidence, to the Archdeacon for the Bishop. The situation is hopeful, and their motto is, "Forward." They are "praising God and having favor with all the people." And may the Lord add to the Church daily "such as shall be saved." Last Saturday we were with them for the third time since the consolidation, and the first infant baptized in the reconstructed constituency was the child of Presbyterian parents.

The Missions and preaching stations, which may be termed new work, are ten in number, and as many more are ready for the forerunner. It is not difficult to make the initial step. Many of the people possess the Athenian curiosity to hear some new voice. But a mission station must be,

First, based on conviction; and.

Second, it must win the love of the people whom we seek to support it.

Experience shows that it requires time to establish the one and to develop the other.

Conviction may grow into attachment, but attachment without conviction is uncertain; it is as the barnacle to a ship, or the mistletoe to the oak, it belongs there, it is joined there, but not as an integral part, as is color to the tulip, fragrance to the rose, fruit to the vine, and life to the tree. Conviction, however excellent, is worthless until it is incarnate in action.

It would be a pleasure to bring all these Missions before you, as in former days we would see a string of buggies hitched together turn the corner in a country town, one at a time. But like such an array of vehicles, all have much in common, and we have therefore selected only three, Foreman, Siloam Springs and Booneville.

Foreman is a new town, less than two miles from the old village of Rocky Comfort, and not yet two years old. It has a prospect of substantial growth, and has wholly absorbed the business of the ancient hamlet. But no one can tell with certainty where the real centers are to be. Here and there, as at Fort Smith and Eureka Springs, the question is settled. But many places in western Arkansas will be subject to the denuding of forests or the development of minerals. Foreman will always be an active, agricultural town, and, as a permanent improvement, our \$1,000 chapel will be of continued utility to the inhabitants for generations. After our Bishop's return from the General Convention the chapel will be in waiting for consecration.

Siloam Springs is a Mission without a chapel, and we use, at a nominal rental, the Congregational Church. A few earnest

families of our Church are anxiously looking forward to the acquiring of real estate and the erection of a suitable house of worship.

Booneville is building. It was our desire that the chapel should be completed and service held before the Bishop's departure. It must be cared for only by the district method, as are Mena, Hope, and other places. The chapel is in the new town, and will be the first religious structure there. In the summer and autumn our Sunday School met in the grove—"God's first temple"—in the winter they met from house to house, and now they are looking forward wistfully to the opening of their chapel.

APPENDIX VI.

A CHARGE AND PASTORAL LETTER ON THE NECESSITY OF A NATIVE MINISTRY FOR THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

The Canons of the Church make it the duty of Bishops to deliver a charge to their Clergy once in three years, and to issue occasional pastorals to their Lay people. As I have nearly completed the third year of my Episcopate, I think it well to take advantage of this meeting of the Clergy and representative Laymen to deliver the first of the charges and pastorals required of me by Canon. I believe that the Clergy are canonically bound to read the Bishop's pastorals to their respective congregations, but in this instance I will relieve them of the obligation to do so. All I ask is that you will take up the subject of the necessity of a native ministry with your people at some convenient time. If my way of putting the matter meets with your approval, you may use this charge and pastoral in the place of a sermon, but if for any reason you should prefer to put the appeal to the boys and young men of your congregation to offer themselves for the sacred ministry of the Church in your own way, I shall be quite as well satisfied. All that I ask is that you make the appeals as early as possible on a favorable occasion, and that you let it be known that you do so upon my urgent request. The text which I have selected for my charge and pastoral is written in the tenth chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke, at the second verse.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

One of the greatest needs of the Diocese of Arkansas is what may be called a native ministry. At present there is not a single Clergyman in the Diocese who was born and brought up in it, and I have no candidates for Holy Orders from among her sons.

This absence of a native ministry is a great disadvantage to the work of our large Mission field. The planting and development of the Church in new places requires high-grade young men. As a rule the hardships and the inconveniences are too great for old men. The districts or circuits usually consist of from three

to as many as half dozen more or less widely separated places. The traveling, the absences from home, and the lack of its comforts, are much more irksome to an old than to a young man.

Besides, old men are apt to be lacking in the elements of enthusiasm and adventure, which are so essential to success in new fields.

Moreover, old men are much more apt to be set in their opinions and ways, but flexibility is an indispensable requisite of a successful Church Missionary in Arkansas, or, for that matter, in any other Diocese where denominationalism is very strong. Not that it is necessary for our Missionaries to compromise the Church by concessions which our laws and principles forbid, but that they must be tactful enough to avoid the giving of offense in the non-essentials of opinion, preference and ritual, and be fair and conciliatory in what they have to say about the differentiating features of the Church which we regard as essentials.

For these and other reasons, which will appear as we proceed, we must have young men for our new and hard Mission fields. We need five or six of them at once, and two or three every year from this on. If this supply is forthcoming, it must be chiefly from among the boys and young men of the Church in Arkansas.

We cannot hope to secure all the young men we need from other Dioceses. They are, in the great majority of cases, obligated to their own Bishops for nomination to scholarships and pecuniary assistance in securing their education. Gratitude and justice and pledges and the need for young Missionaries in the home field, which is very great in nearly every Diocese, contribute to make it necessary for them to remain with their Bishops from three to five years. By the end of that period the picked men begin to have a reputation, which secures for them larger and more remunerative fields of usefulness than we in our undeveloped State can offer. Such openings, together with family and social ties, contribute to make the young men of other Dioceses fixtures, and therefore unavailable for Arkansas.

And even the less successful fortunately are not likely to turn their faces towards Arkansas, because the Church is so weak here, and also because the impression has unfortunately and unjustly gone abroad that the State is an unhealthful and otherwise undesirable place of residence.

Some months ago I wrote to a desirable young Clergyman in the hope of being able to persuade him to come to us. He was highly recommended by the Rector of Pine Bluff, and I was very anxious to secure him for a most interesting and promising newly organized Missionary district in southeastern Arkansas, comprising, among other places, Lake Village, Monticello and Arkansas City.

Though we have never had regular service in any of the places except Lake Village, and not there for nearly thirty years, the people agreed to raise \$1,000 towards his support without aid from

the Board of Missions. All who know anything about Missionary matters will tell you that there is something quite beyond the ordinary, almost phenomenal, about the development of and outlook for the Church in that district.

At Monticello they have, with some assistance from our Building Fund, bought a beautiful lot and converted the old house upon it into a combination chapel and rectory. At Arkansas City, they have built a chapel costing \$1,000. The Lake Village people have a good lot and a chapel almost ready for occupation. I don't suppose that one year ago any one dreamed of having a Clergyman in this field for the next four or five years. All they hoped for was an occasional service from the Bishop, Archbishop Rhames, and the Rev. Mr. Buckner, of Pine Bluff.

The reply from the Clergyman in question came to hand as I was writing this charge. His letter fairly illustrates the difficulty I have to contend with in securing young Clergymen recruits for our most interesting Mission field. He said: "I appreciate very much the confidence that you manifest by offering me work in your Diocese. But for the malaria, I would not be inclined to change my present field of labor, and from what I can hear Arkansas is full of malaria. There are plenty of men who can stand it, but I cannot. It is now injuring my health."

Now, of course, you and I know that the report that Arkansas "is full of malaria" is a malicious slander invented and circulated, probably by our envious neighbors of Mississippi and Louisiana, where I believe they are comparatively great sufferers by miasmatic exhalations.

However, the report, false as it is, will, as I have said, keep the young men, who otherwise might be available, from looking our way when thinking of leaving their native Dioceses. I do indeed receive some applications for work, but hardly one-tenth as many as used to come to me when I had charge of the Missionary work of the Diocese of Ohio. And, unfortunately, of the few who offer themselves, the great majority are found upon investigation to be "rolling stones" and "ritualists," popularly known as "Roaming Catholics," with the emphasis upon the "roaming." Of course it would be absurd to bring such men to the Diocese. They would be here to-day and gone to-morrow, and in the interim they would do harm that could not be repaired in years.

Brethren, do you not see from all this that a native ministry is to-day the first need of the Church in Arkansas; that it is really indispensable; that we cannot reasonably hope to plant the Church very widely and to satisfactorily develop it, unless we can secure a due supply of candidates for the holy ministry from among our own sons? In order that you may, if possible, see this even more clearly and be moved to offer some of your sons to the Lord for the great work of extending and building up His Church, let me still further impress upon you some of the advantages of a native ministry.

1. In the first place, a native ministry would be much more likely to be in touch with our people. I find that of those who are available for work in Arkansas, the great majority are foreigners, who were born, raised and educated in England, Ireland, Wales or Canada. Some of these importations are among the very best and most successful Clergymen I have ever known. If I could have my choice among those with whom I am personally acquainted, I should count myself and Diocese happy.

But all my observation and experience tends to convince me that any Diocese which indiscriminately takes in many foreign clergymen will sooner or later come to grief. Nor is this intended to be a reflection upon foreigners, as if we regarded them as being a lower grade of men than those who constitute the American ministry. The difficulty in the majority of cases is largely due to the fact that it is in the nature of things almost impossible for a foreign Clergyman to get into touch with our people sufficiently to become an acceptable and successful pastor. If our American Clergy were to go to Canada or the British Isles, they would experience the same difficulty to an equal degree. It would be absurd for Englishmen or Canadians to come to America for their ministerial supply, and it is equally and for the same reasons absurd for us to go to Canada or England for our Clergymen.

I am, therefore, resolved to pass by foreigners when looking for Missionaries, unless they are thoroughly Americanized, and their record shows them to be tactful enough to overcome the disadvantages with which they must contend.

2. Another great advantage of a native ministry is found in the fact that, by care in the selection and education of our material, we can supply our Mission field with high grade men at low prices. This is done in all Dioceses which are raising up a due supply of ministers. The Deacons are obliged, and they are usually willing, to go where the Bishop sends them. As a rule they do not expect or receive more than from four to six hundred dollars during their Diaconate, and, after their ordination to the Priesthood, many of them continue on for several years at the same, or slightly increased, salaries.

This enables the Bishop to extend and develop the Church in Mission fields to a degree that would otherwise be quite impossible. As the question of salary does not embarrass him, he exercises his judgment in sending the right man to the right place, and, as a result, in nine cases out of ten, something is accomplished.

I saw in one of our Church papers, over the name of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Paret, Bishop of Maryland, one of the ablest men that the American Church has produced, the statement that his salary during the several years of his early ministry was \$600.

The late Rev. Cyrus S. Bates, D. D., who for many years was easily the first Clergyman of Ohio, commenced his ministry in that Diocese, where he remained until his lamented death, on an

absurdly low salary, I think not more than three or four hundred dollars. Though I do not, and nobody else, would for one moment, compare myself with Bishop Paret or Dr. Bates, it may be interesting to you, and tend to illustrate the truth of my representation respecting the importance of a native ministry, if I tell you that before my ordination I was offered the equivalent of \$1,000 if I would spend my Diaconate as the Assistant of a great Parish in Michigan. The Bishop of Ohio, whose candidate I was, would not let me go; but sent me to an out-of-the-way, long neglected, hard field, on a salary of \$600, without a house. Shortly after my ordination to the Priesthood, I refused two calls to other Dioceses, one at \$1,500 and a rectory, and the other at \$2,000 and a rectory, because, meantime, I had become interested in my work, and did not see how I could consistently leave it. So I remained eight years, and, by God's blessing upon my endeavors, built up considerably the hard place to which I had been originally sent, and, besides, established seven more or less flourishing Missions in as many towns round about; also several preaching stations, some of which have since developed into Mission stations. You can readily see that nothing like such sacrifices and accomplishments can be expected from any but a native ministry.

There are several causes which more or less effectively contribute to deter boys and young men from offering themselves for the ministry.

1. Perhaps first among these deterring influences is the ideal held up to them by parents. In their homes they hear nothing at all that is likely to draw their attention towards the ministry, but very much that is well calculated to excite ambition in other directions. Not only so, but if a boy does in any way manifest a disposition to become a Clergyman, in many cases he is discouraged and laughed out of the idea by his family and friends. I have not the slightest doubt that if the boys and young men, who have a natural bias towards the ministry, were to meet with the encouragement that is accorded to those who are ambitious to enter upon one of the other callings of life, we should in Arkansas have an abundant supply of high grade native Clergymen.

I think that the Church in this Diocese is greatly blessed in its boys. In almost every Sunday School I notice an exceptional number of boys, who, if appearances are not deceiving, are just the kind of material that we need. In proportion to the membership of the Church there is a great deal more of first-class ministerial timber among our boys than there is in Ohio, where I was born and raised. I say this, not to flatter the boys of Arkansas, but to be just to them, and especially to show that our lack of a native ministry is certainly not due to any deficiency in the number and quality of our boys.

The difficulty and fault is with the parents, rectors and Sunday School teachers, and, I will not except myself. We have not been emphasizing the Church's great need, and the duty of offering

themselves to meet it upon the boys. There is naturally a great deal of chivalry in boys, and, therefore, when they are made to feel that the Church must have more of them as leaders in the mighty warfare which she is carrying on in the cause of righteousness, they will not be slow to respond to the call.

The fact of the matter is, there has been no calling of our splendid boys to the ministry, and so of course there have been no volunteers from among them. This will not be the case in the future. For some time to come I want five boys each year to begin preparation for the ministry. If parents, rectors and teachers will co-operate with me and keep the call ringing in the ears of our boys, they will soon respond in twice or thrice the number, so that I will have ten or fifteen boys from among whom to choose the five.

The first reason, then, for the lack of a native ministry in Arkansas is found in the fact that the great need of the Church has not been sufficiently made known to and urged upon our boys. There has been no call, and therefore no response.

2. There is a very widespread, and, I think, pernicious error which may tend to keep some parents and teachers from calling their boys to the help of the Lord in this day of His Church's great need, and may cause some who are called to hesitate in accepting. I refer to the idea and impression that no man should enter the ministry unless he is compelled to do so by a direct call from God.

In our effort to correct this error, we will start with the admission that no man should enter upon any work unless he conceives it to be his duty, or at least privilege, to do so. In a sense God calls every capable person to some useful and honorable occupation. He calls some men to be farmers, some mechanics, some merchants, some teachers, some physicians, some lawyers, and so on through the whole list.

Take a hundred men as they come, and probably upon investigation you would find that almost every one had an especial aptitude in some one direction. That aptitude is a providential endowment, and therefore may very properly be regarded as constituting a divine call to its possessor to do that for which it fits him.

We sometimes have occasion to speak of a person as having missed his vocation. We mean by this that he was by natural endowment better fitted for some other life's work than the one in which he is engaged. Patrick Henry was by nature endowed to be a great patriot and orator; but before entering upon his divinely appointed career, he was a very unsuccessful merchant. It was a case of spoiling a great lawyer and statesman to make a poor grocer.

Some are all-round men; they can do almost everything well, and are a success in whatever they see fit to undertake. Abraham Lincoln appears to have been one of this kind. He was in his

earlier years an unrivaled rail splitter, and in the prime of life an illustrious president of the United States.

There are at this time at least a hundred boys and young men of our Church in this Diocese, who would be an average success at any trade, business or profession. They would make fairly successful planters, merchants, doctors, lawyers, or ministers. I am not looking for prodigies in the form of ministerial timber. I don't care particularly for walnut and mahogany; good oak and hickory will serve our purpose about as well, perhaps, all things considered, a little better. Oak and hickory are, so to speak, a little more all-round than walnut and mahogany, and among other things we certainly need an all-round ministry in Arkansas.

Now, I contend that our great need of a native all round ministry constitutes a sufficient call to any Arkansas boys or young men, who are able to fill the bill, to offer himself as a candidate for Holy Orders.

But, it will be said, these conditions constitute no more than an outward call; there must be added to this an inward, spiritual call before any young man could be justified in entering upon the sacred ministry of the Church. I do not deny that a direct call, as by the voice of God, to the ministry is sometimes given. St. Paul certainly received such a call, and so did the child Samuel long before. But I believe it is the rare exception, and that, as a rule, it is not at all to be expected, and is not necessary.

I am not a minister because of any such call, but because of a vow and promise made upon a sick bed; and I believe that careful and extended inquiry would reveal the fact that comparatively few of the ministers of any of the great bodies of Christians have received any direct, unmistakable revelation from God, making it their undoubted duty to preach and administer the saving truths and ordinances of the gospel of Christ. It would be found that the great majority of them became ministers for very much the same reasons that other men enter upon the various secular avocations of life. They, owing chiefly to providential circumstances, found in the ministry a door of usefulness open to them and they had an inclination to enter.

God opened the door and God gave the inclination. This was a divine invitation to enter the ministry, but not the supernatural call to do so, which many regard as a necessity. God has opened the door of opportunity to at least five young men of the Episcopal Church in Arkansas; let us all pray that He may keep that door open for many years, and dispose as many, or more, of our boys and young men to enter, so that the Lord's promising seed time and ripening harvest may have the needed supply of sowers and reapers.

The door is open. Who will be the first to offer himself for entrance? I say "offer himself." For the rectors and vestries of Parishes, the Standing Committee and the Bishop of the Diocese

are obliged to guard the open door against the entrance of any who, in their judgment, do not give promise of becoming exemplary and useful ministers of Jesus Christ.

But, brethren, under the circumstances of the great need of the Church in this Diocese for a native ministry, I conceive it to be our duty not only to guard the door, but to call upon those whom we conceive to be endowed with the requisite qualities of heart and head to enter.

That is what the representatives of the early Church did. When the need of an increase of the ministry was felt, the Church did not wait until candidates voluntarily presented themselves, but the people nominated fit persons and the Bishops ordained them.

I have no doubt that there is on an average at least one boy or young man in each of our Parishes and Mission stations, who by the common consent of the people would make a good minister of the gospel. I require and charge the Clergy and officers of our congregations to tell me who these boys and young men are, and as the representative of Christ and His Church in this Diocese, I will solemnly call them to enter the open door. Our Savior called the first ministers of His Church. He did not wait for men to offer themselves. I have about made up my mind that if the Church in Arkansas is to have a due supply of native Clergymen, I cannot trust to voluntary candidates, but I must follow the example of my Savior and the early Bishops, by calling those whom Providence has marked for the ministry. Is there such an one in your Parish? If so, tell me who he is, and if my judgment coincides with yours, I will call him to the help of the Lord without delay. And let us pray that God will put it into the heart of such to say, with the child Samuel, "Here am I. Speak for thy servant heareth." And that He will give us the wisdom of the venerable Eli to recognize the boys and young men who have been by natural endowments divinely called by the Lord of our rich harvest, which is so sadly in need of laborers.

"ADDENDA."

In view of the recent general and prolonged discussion of the question, "Is the ministry over supplied?" I have thought it well to append to my charge and pastoral the painstaking answer to this question by a most competent committee appointed by a meeting of the faculties of our several theological seminaries. After collecting from the Bishops and others all the available data bearing upon the question, they made the following report which clearly and conclusively shows that the ministry of the Episcopal Church is indeed very far from being over supplied:

3 Chelsea Square, New York, April 23, 1900.

My dear Bishop of Arkansas:—At the request of the Conference of Church Seminaries, I send you the accompanying statement em-

bodying the results of the statistics so kindly furnished by yourself and other Bishops to our committee, also the resolutions of the Conference founded thereon.

I am instructed to convey to you the sincere thanks of the Conference for the trouble you have so kindly taken in the matter.

J. CHARLES ROPER,

Secretary.

IS THE MINISTRY OVER SUPPLIED?

The question, "Is the ministry over supplied?" has for some time been prominently before the mind of the Church. At the meeting of the Conference of Seminary Faculties, held in New York in April, 1899, a committee, consisting of Professor Body, President Webb and Professor James, was appointed to collect authoritative statistics with the view to the complete investigation of the matter.

By the kindness of the Bishops to whom the committee applied full returns have been furnished from fifty-four out of the whole number of Home Dioceses and Jurisdictions. These Dioceses are representative of every part of the Church. They include all but two of the twelve large Dioceses, having more than one hundred Clergy each. Between them they represent 3,546 out of the total of 4,800 Clergy. There is no probability that more complete returns would substantially alter the results of these statistics to any appreciable degree.

It appears that there are at the present time in these Dioceses 343 candidats for Holy Orders, and 204 postulants. Of these 133 are qualified to present themselves for ordination this year. On the other hand, there are 232 vacancies in existing Parishes and Missions. There are also 197 new stations waiting to be occupied with good men. Some of these require additional aid from the Church to enable them to be opened up, but a large number (76) can furnish a reasonable certainty of support at once. If we take account only of these seventy-six we obtain a total of 308 vacant stations financially provided for, to supply which we have only 133 new men to be ordained this year. This leaves 175 vacant places, in addition to 121 other stations where there is good opportunity of planting the Church, if the means were forthcoming.

It may be objected however that if we take into account the large number of Clergy not engaged in Parochial work, the supply would probably be adequate to the demand. Let us turn, therefore, to that side of the question. The total number of Clergy without Parochial charge in the fifty-four Dioceses and Jurisdictions is 607. Of these 163 are engaged in educational and literary work, 234 are unable to take regular work, owing to age and infirmity, whilst 28 are actively engaged in work in other Dioceses than those in which they are canonically registered. This leaves a remainder of 182 only who may be regarded as presumably open

for work. When it is remembered that in this number are included all those Clergy who for any cause save physical infirmity are unfit for the active ministry, it is clear that we must deduct a large percentage still, in order to get at the number really fit to do the Church's work in these vacant fields. We can hardly expect more than 100 men of this kind. Even if all these men were to be employed to-morrow, there would still remain a net total of seventy-five vacancies that could by no possibility be filled, together with the 121 places of promise urgently in need of the Church's ministrations.

These figures should probably be increased by about a third in each case to allow for the Dioceses not represented in the returns. No account has been taken of the Foreign Missionary Jurisdictions, for which fifteen men are reported from the Church Missions House as urgently needed without delay. For the China work five men are required annually for the next five years.

It seems clear then that the question, "Is the ministry over-supplied?" must be answered emphatically in the negative. The Church needs rousing to a further greater consecration both of men and money to enable her even to keep pace with her normal work. The call is loud and urgent. There is abundant opportunity. We are straightened in the supply of suitable men and of such means as are required for opening up the new work. It is well that these facts should be known and weighed throughout the Church. The realization of the situation is the first step, under God, towards meeting its necessities.

Two factors in the problem are emphasized by the Bishops' reports. First, there is an unmistakable call for steady progress in the quality of the men sent out. With all the advance that has been made in this direction, there seems still need for the utmost diligence on the part alike of the Bishops in admitting and supervising their candidates during their course of preparation, and of the seminaries in their training, particularly in its practical and devotional aspects. The ministry is no place for weak, inefficient and unspiritual men. Such men are a perpetual hindrance to the Church rather than a strength. Secondly, many Bishops lay stress on the need for young men in the ministry, ready for a few years to face the same difficulties as the young doctor or lawyer does, and who can make their way in these new fields with small means of support.

A larger supply of candidates would undoubtedly call the attention of the men to the special needs of the Church's pioneer fields, in a way almost impossible when all the available candidates are required for the supply of normal calls. If thus men's attention was turned towards the Church's harder fields, there seems good ground for confidence that they would not shrink back from the methods of self-denial necessary to meet their conditions. Men of some means, or men able for some years at any rate to lead a celibate life, have in their hands possibilities of achieving for Christ

and perishing souls that which others cannot under present circumstances attempt to do.

God grant to the Church both Clergy and people that they may not be found slow to offer themselves willingly in this day of His power.

RESOLUTIONS.

With reference to the question, "Is the ministry over supplied?" passed unanimously by the Seminarian Conference,

Resolved, That after careful inquiry into the present conditions this Conference of Church Seminaries is clearly of opinion that the extension and growth of the Church both at home and abroad is seriously hindered by a paucity of suitable candidates for the sacred ministry, and in some parts of the field by the lack of means to support the new work that is urgently required.

That it would greatly assist towards arousing the conscience of the Church to its duty in these regards, if annually a statement was placed before the Church of the needs both in men and money of the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions to enable them to meet the clear and pressing requirements of the work.

That this last resolution be translated to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Board of Missions of the Church, together with a copy of this report with the request that the view of meeting in the best way, the object in view.

That the true office of the seminaries of the Church as means for the spiritual and practical, as well as intellectual training of candidates for Orders should be constantly impressed upon the minds of intending candidates by the Bishops and Clergy more immediately responsible for their guidance, as experience shows that defective apprehension in reference to this matter is a great hindrance to the best usefulness of these institutions.

That under no circumstances should men with regard to whose qualifications for the ministry reasonable doubt exists, be encouraged to present themselves as candidates for Holy Orders.

I have often said, and I say it again, that in Arkansas alone we could use fifty young men in the Mission field who would at the beginning of their ministry be willing to make the same sacrifices that the average young lawyer or doctor is obliged to make during the first years of his practice. I could give large and promising fields to fifty such young Clergymen and while I could not promise them luxuries I would be almost willing to guarantee that they should not want for the necessities of life, that they would have as much of raiment and food and comfort as they had whom our Lord sent forth to preach the Gospel without purse or script.

A letter from the Rev. Dr. DuBose, Dean of the Theological Faculty of the University of the South, and president of St. Luke's Brotherhood for the increase of the ministry, is very much to the point and it will be well to read it in connection with what is said about the necessity of a native ministry.

June 2, 1900.

Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Galion, O.:

Reverend and Dear Brother:—The pressing need for earnest, consecrated, self-sacrificing men in the ministry of our branch of the Church, especially in the South and West, as directly seen by repeated calls of the Bishops to men in seminaries, and their inability to supply the needs, calls attention to the reasons for this lack of supply of men. The call of the Bishops and others is usually addressed to men who have already become candidates for Holy Orders, or are soon to graduate from some seminary of the Church, and these men are generally required by their own Diocese, as soon as they are prepared.

What is needed is to bring the necessities of the Church directly to the knowledge of the Laymen; to impress upon them the fact of the many fields, both at home and abroad, which are uncared for; to present to them the call of the Bishops, unanswered, and the demand for men completing their courses at our local seminaries; to show to them that there are places, even for many workers who have not the highest education, and the great advantage of a native ministry; but also that the work undertaken must be one looking to discomfort and hardship, to small salaries, but withal a work full of joy and blessing for the faithful laborer.

The general lack of such knowledge by our Laymen is evidenced by the fact that, of the theological students now at Sewanee, only one ever had this matter placed before him by the Clergy. Moreover, men feel a hesitancy in offering themselves for so high an office, through a commendable modesty, but a general call would give an opportunity for serious consideration and conference on this important subject.

It is desired that in the near future this matter be placed before the men of each Parish by the Clergyman in charge; not urging any particular individuals to become candidates, but that each Layman may be fully advised of the needs; the Clergyman stating that he, or some other presbyter, or the undersigned may be consulted.

For the information of the Clergy, but not as an inducement to be held out to the men themselves, attention may be called to those financial agencies for assisting candidates and postulants to prepare for Orders, to a limited extent the St. Luke's Brotherhood for the Increase of the Ministry, with headquarters at Sewanee.

The undersigned would be glad to answer inquiries, either on the subject of the call or aid, but first should be made known the needs of the Church and the self-sacrifice required.

A trial of men as to their faithfulness, in view of their future work, e. g., Sunday School work, public reading, visiting the sick, assisting the Clergy, etc., might bring out the sincerity of the person presenting himself; but none should be lightly turned aside, and trial of men may also be made here, in the Missions connected with the seminary.

I beg of you to be your best to present this matter in the best manner.

THANK YOU FOR THE CHURCH AND THE COUNCIL.

W. P. DUBOSE

P. S. See also recent report of the Conference of Ch. Seminarians on the question "Is the Ministry over supplied?"

W. P. DUBOSE

President of St. Luke's Brotherhood for the Increase of the Unity.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE. DIOCESAN FUND.

Balance on hand at last report, May 3, 1900.....\$3

RECEIPTS.

Grace Church, Washington.....	
St. Agnes's, Morrilton	
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	
St. John's, Camden	
St. Paul's, Newport	
Trinity, Van Buren	
St. Andrew's, Marianna	
St. Paul's, Batesville	
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	
St. Luke's, Hot Springs	
Trinity, Pine Bluff	
St. John's, Fort Smith	
St. John's, Helena	
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	1
Total	\$7

DISBURSEMENTS.

June 13, 1900—Expense Standing Committee.....	\$ 4.65
June 17—Arkansas Democrat Co., printing Journals..	168.00
June 17—Arkansas Democrat Co., envelopes for Journals	3.50
June 24—Secretary Daggett, sending out Journals....	17.75
October 9—Expenses Standing Committee	7.75
December 5—Registrar's Book	2.50
May 10, 1901—William Warren, janitor.....	5.00
May 10—J. M. Daggett.....	75.00
May 10—S. S. Faulkner, interest to May 1, 1901....	89.66
Balance on hand	\$ 43

APPENDIX VIII.

FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

Balance on hand at last report, May 3, 1900.....\$ 106.93

RECEIPTS.

Investment building association stock redeemed.....	600.12
Trinity Church, Van Buren	2.75
Trinity, Searcy	3.75
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	4.35
St. Paul's, Batesville	4.75
St. Luke's, Hot Springs	4.80
St. Paul's, Newport	14.19
St. John's, Helena	19.40
Matured building association stock.....	500.00
Mowen note, and interest	686.25
Holiman note, and interest.....	127.10
Total	\$2,074.39

DISBURSEMENTS.

Eight months building association dues.....	\$ 41.00
Mowen notes	627.75
Neil loan	500.00
Holiman, two notes	250.00 1,418.75
Balance on hand	\$ 655.64

APPENDIX IX.

BISHOP'S SALARY FUND.

Balance on hand at last report, May 3, 1900.....\$ 32.10

RECEIPTS.

S. S. Faulkner, Trustee.....	\$ 225.00
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring	2.50
St. Philip's, Little Rock	4.00
St. Agnes's, Morrilton	4.00
Christ Church, Mena	4.00
Wm. C. Rodgers, Nashville	5.00
St. Paul's, Newport	6.00
Grace Church, Wm. Eakin, Washington.....	9.00
St. Luke's, Brinkley	9.00
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	13.00
Trinity, Searcy	14.00
St. Andrew's, Marianna	24.00
Trinity, Van Buren	24.00

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St. Mark's, M. H. Barlow, Hope.....	31.00
St. Paul's, Batesville.....	31.50
St. John's, Fort Smith	66.50
St. Luke's, Hot Springs	99.00
Trinity, Pine Bluff	100.00
Christ Church, Little Rock	137.00
St. John's, Helena	183.25
S. S. Faulkner, Trustee	500.00
Total	<u>\$1,523.85</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

July 13, 1900—To Bishop Brown	\$ 250.00
January 5, 1901—To Bishop Brown.....	750.00
May 10—To Bishop Brown.....	500.00
Balance on hand	<u>\$ 23.85</u>

APPENDIX X.

REPORT OF TRUSTEE OF EPISCOPATE FUND.

Helena, Ark., May 1, 1901.

To the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

Brethren—I herewith submit my ninth annual report of the receipts and disbursements and actual value of the Permanent Episcopate Fund since my last report up to the date specified above.

RECEIPTS.

May 1, 1900.

To balance on hand	\$ 1,406.24
To loans reported in last report and repaid during year—	
To Miles Place	\$ 320.00
To W. H. Stone & Co.	50.00
To G. W. Willey	3,500.00
To Straub Sons	3,000.00
To R. H. Word	100.00
To Carpenter & Bro.	317.00
To Essertier & Co	300.00
To W. N. & S. Straub	400.00
To New Light Baptist Church (part)	300.00
To J. & F. Goodman (part)	134.00
To George & H. A. Schwantz (part)	333.00
To J. N. Bookhart	75.00
To R. M. Fitzpatrick (part).....	50.00
	<u>8,909.00</u>

From Interest—

To Miles Place	\$ 28.00
To W. H. Stone & Co.	1.35

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To G. W. Willey	280.00	
To Straub Sons	240.00	
To R. H. Word	9.25	
To Carpenter Bros.	25.61	
To Essertier & Co.	18.00	
To W. N. & S. Straub	72.00	
To New Light Baptist Church	55.25	
To J. & F. Goodman	89.15	
To George & H. A. Schwantz	80.00	
To J. N. Bookhart	4.25	
To R. M. Fitzpatrick	6.90	
To W. Kennedy	46.00	
To short loans	62.44	1,018.20

From Donations—

To St. Mark's Church, Hope	\$ 6.50	
To St. Andrew's Church, Marianna	3.11	
To Church Good Shepherd, Forrest City...	6.45	
To St. Luke's Church, Brinkley	1.91	17.97

From Pine Bluff Property—

To rents collected for thirteen months, from		
April 1, 1900, to May 1, 1901	\$ 351.00	351.00
Total		\$11,702.41

EXPENDITURES.

From May 1, 1900, to date of report—By loans made and in force—

By Sermon & King	\$ 100.00	
By R. H. & C. T. Word	250.00	
By Miles Place	164.80	
By J. S. Agee	475.00	
By M. L. Stephenson	1,290.00	
By J. & F. Goodman	78.00	
By N. Straub Sons	3,000.00	
By W. H. & G. Howe	100.00	
By G. W. Willey	3,500.00	\$ 8,957.80

Payments made on B. & L. Stock—

By Home Mutual, Series No. 3	\$ 222.00	
By Home Mutual, Series No. 5	60.00	
By People's, Series No. 2	120.00	402.00

Bishop Wm. M. Brown's Salary—

By P. K. Roots, Diocesan Treasurer	\$ 225.00	
By P. K. Roots, Diocesan Treasurer	500.0	725.00

Special Appropriation—

By expense for preparing and recording deeds in perfecting title to Pine Bluff property	\$ 16.60	16.60
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Pine Bluff Property—

By vouchers for repairs, insurance, taxes,
water, etc., Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive\$ 143.27 143.27

By cash on hand 1,457.74

Total \$11,702.41

PRESENT VALUE OF FUND.

Building and Loan Stock—	Amount.	Paid in.	Present Value.
Home Mutual, Series No. 3, 94 months	\$3,700.00	\$1,880.98	\$ 2,450.00
Home Mutual, Series No. 5, 58 months	1,000.00	290.75	358.00
People's, Series No. 2, 80 months.	2,000.00	890.05	1,112.50

Name of Maker.	Face.	Accrued interest.	
Bills Receivable—			
R. M. Fitzpatrick ..	\$ 50.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 60.00
W. Kennedy	460.00	14.00	474.00
J. & F. Goodman (2)	390.00	9.50	399.50
George & H. A. Schwantz (2)..	667.00	3.00	670.00
New Light Baptist Church	700.00	147.00	847.00
Diocese of Arkansas	300.00	89.66	389.66
J. & F. Goodman (10)	78.00	1.50	79.50
Sermon & King	100.00	8.00	108.00
R. H. & C. T. Word.....	250.00	12.50	262.50
Miles Place	164.80	5.00	169.80
J. S. Agee	475.00	12.50	487.50
M. L. Stephenson	1,290.00	34.40	1,324.40
N. Straub Sons	3,000.00	49.35	3,049.35
G. W. Willey	3,500.00	4.30	3,504.30
W. H. & G. Howe	100.00	2.60	102.60

Pine Bluff Property—

Value as reported by former
Trustee 3,936.00
Cash on hand 1,457.74

Present value of fund (net). \$21,242.35
Value at last report 20,402.76

Increase \$ 839.59
Paid to Bishop Brown 725.00
To Pine Bluff appropriation..... 16.60

Earnings of fund for year.. \$ 1,581.19

Interest received on fund reported May 1, 1900, \$16,466.76,
at 8 1-3 per cent \$1,373.46

Interest received on Pine Bluff property, estimated value \$3,936.00, at 5.2 per cent 207.73 \$ 1,581.19

In making up my estimate of earnings, I include all of the accrued interest, which was not interest-bearing, and did not produce any interest; if this was deducted, the per cent would have been greater.

I will greatly appreciate it if the Council will refer this report to a committee to examine, who will ascertain the character of the investment, and as to the value as given, \$21,242.35.

The Council is indebted to Mr. N. B. Trulock for many courtesies in the way of attending to the rental of Pine Bluff property; he having on several occasions paid out money of his own to make repairs, rather than deduct it from the income.

You will also note that there has been virtually no donations to the fund; the increase being entirely from the investment. I think the Council should name some prominent day in Church calendar for special offering for the increase of this fund.

Faithfully yours,

S. S. FAULKNER,

Trustee of Permanent Episcopate Fund.

APPENDIX XI.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

CANONICAL ASSESSMENTS.

Christ Church, Little Rock	\$375.00
Trinity Church, Pine Bluff	250.00
St. John's Church, Helena	250.00
St. John's Church, Fort Smith	225.00
St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.....	225.00
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	150.00
St. Paul's Church, Batesville	100.00
St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville	100.00
Trinity Church, Van Buren	100.00
St. Paul's Church, Newport	100.00
St. Andrew's Church, Marianna	50.00
St. John's Church, Camden	75.00
Church of Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	50.00
St. James's Church, Eureka Springs	50.00
Christ Church, Mena	25.00
St. Mark's Church, Hope	25.00
St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton	25.00
Trinity Church, Searcy	35.00
St. Andrew's Church, Mammoth Spring	25.00
St. Philip's Church, Little Rock	15.00
St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro.. ..	25.00
St. Luke's Church, Brinkley	25.00
Grace Church, Washington	20.00
Rocky Comfort Church	10.00

Church of Redeemer, Nashville	10.00
St. Mary's Church, Monticello	15.00
Emanuel Church, Lake Village	15.00
Grace Church, Siloam Springs	15.00
St. Stephen's Church, Winslow	15.00
St. Clement's Church, Arkansas City	10.00
St. James's Church, Prescott	10.00
Ascension Church, Pocahontas	10.00
Christ Church, Clarendon	10.00
St. Peter's Church, Conway	10.00
All Saints's Church, Devall's Bluff	5.00
St. James's Church, Des Arc	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Dumas	5.00
St. Mark's Church, Lonoke	5.00
Mission at El Dorado	5.00
Mission at Rogers	5.00
Mission at Paragould	5.00
Mission at Osceola	5.00
Mission at Booneville	5.00
Total	\$2,490.00

S. S. FAULKNER,
W. D. BUCKNER,
JOHN T. HICKS,
Committee.

APPENDIX XII.

REPORT OF TREASURER BOARD OF MISSIONS. DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand May 4, 1900.....	\$ 1,111.71
From Bishop Brown	4,319.92
From Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.....	4,450.00
From Brinkley	8.95
From Hope	44.94
From Newport	54.95
From Helena	203.20
From Fort Smith	87.75
From Forrest City	10.92
From Mammoth Spring	5.00
From Arkansas City	36.65
From Van Buren	35.65
From Marianna	3.09
From Batesville	26.50
From Little Rock (Trinity)	30.35
From Little Rock (Pulaski Heights)	2.40
From Little Rock (St. Philip's)	5.15
From Little Rock (Christ Church)	237.60

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From Washington	11.38
From Morrilton	30.86
From Hot Springs	40.47
From Conway	.25
From Monticello	6.25
From Dumas	26.02
From Clarendon	7.06
From Pacahontas	14.50
From Lake Village	14.75
From Devall's Bluff	5.35
From Searcy	8.30
From Des Arc	1.22
From Jonesboro	6.80
From Black Rock	1.20
From Imboden	2.50
From Stuttgart	.85
From Lonoke	1.60
From Wynne	.25
From Warren	3.12
From Medford	8.70
From Camden	3.55
From Eureka Springs (St. James's)	9.00
From Eureka Springs (Trinity)	29.36
From Nashville	8.30
From Pine Bluff	105.35
From Booneville	2.01
From Mena	6.55
From Prescott	8.85
From Siloam Springs	6.60
From Winslow	3.50
From Charleston	1.80
From El Dorado	2.96
From Foreman	3.00
From Fulton	8.40
From Gillham	4.60
From Gurdon	7.00
From Magazine	.89
From Malvern	1.50
From Mansfield	2.65
From Ozan	1.82
From Perla	1.58
From Rogers	5.62
From Winthrop	.41

\$11,091.46

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Bishop Brown (expenses)	\$ 867.56
To Bishop Brown (building fund)	1,000.00
To Bishop Brown for E. J. Hall	45.00

To Rev. W. D. Williams	1,805.55	
To Rev. R. W. Rhames	1,696.09	
To Rev. D. B. Ramsey	260.00	
To Rev. J. J. Vaulx	180.00	
To Rev. J. B. Whaling	230.00	
To Rev. E. L. Kemp	175.00	
To Rev. L. S. Shermer	83.32	
To Rev. P. J. Robottom	183.32	
To Rev. J. C. Waring	99.99	
To Rev. E. A. Neville	75.00	
To Rev. G. B. Norton	150.00	
To Rev. A. Miller	100.00	
To Rev. Percy T. Fenn	50.00	
To Rev. R. Heber Hoskins	46.00	
To Rev. W. G. Coote	110.00	
To Rev. A. A. Robertson	12.50	
To Rev. Martin Damer	83.33	
To Rev. I. M. Merlinjones	50.00	
To Rev. W. P. Brown	150.00	
To Rev. W. D. Buckner (expenses)	2.25	
To Rev. C. H. Lockwood (expenses)	19.15	
To Rev. J. F. Simmons	66.66	
To Mr. N. B. Trulock (expenses)	5.50	
To Mr. W. H. Worley	25.00	
To Mr. S. R. McAlpin	150.00	
To Rectory at Batesville	600.00	
To Rectory at Newport	600.00	
To Revenue Stamps	1.50	8,922 —
Balance on hand May 7, 1901	\$2,168 —	

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER,

Treasurer

APPENDIX XIII.

DIOCESAN OFFICERS OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

President—Mrs. J. B. Pillow, Helena.

Vice President, Eastern Arkansas—Mrs. John Ferrill, Batesville.

Vice President, Western Arkansas—Mrs. Logan H. Roots, 923 Scott Street, Little Rock.

Secretary—Mrs. R. W. Rhames, 2019 Center Street, Little Rock.

Treasurer—Mrs. P. K. Roots, 1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF AUXILIARY.

Directress—Miss Martha Valliant, 720 Main Street, Pine Bluff.

Secretary—Miss Jessie Adams, 2403 Louisiana Street, Little Rock.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. Secord, Hot Springs.

BABIES' BRANCH.

Directress—Miss Matilda Jordan, 223 East Seventh Street, Little Rock.

OFFICERS OF LOCAL BRANCHES.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, members thirty-five.

President—Mrs. R. W. Rhames, 2019 Center Street.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Helen M. Norton, 923 Scott Street.

Christ Church, Little Rock, members forty.

President Mrs. Augusta Van Etten, 303 East Eighth Street.

Vice President—Mrs. G. W. Sappington, Sixteenth and Center Streets.

Secretary—Mrs. George H. Lee, 710 West Third Street.

Treasurer—Miss Matilda Jordan, 223 East Seventh Street.

St. John's Church, Helena, members twenty-nine.

President—Mrs. J. C. Rembert.

Vice President—Mrs. C. C. Agee.

Secretary—Mrs. S. S. Faulkner.

Treasurer—Mrs. W. H. Stone.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, members twenty-one.

President—Mrs. E. Watt, Spring Street.

Vice President—Mrs. G. G. Latta.

Secretary—Mrs. A. J. Walch.

Treasurer—Mrs. Fred Williams, 402 Park Avenue.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, members twenty-five.

President—Mrs. Wm. Magoffin.

Secretary—Mrs. R. T. Robertson.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. M. A. Dorsey.

Treasurer—Mrs. Leila McCauley.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, members twenty-one.

President—Mrs. Ellen Bell, West Barraque Street.

Vice President—Mrs. Virginia Jones, 1015 West Third Street.

Secretary—Mrs. Josephine Boone, 511 Alabama Street.

Treasurer—Mrs. G. E. Valliant, 720 Main Street.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, members twenty.

President—Mrs. Walter Gorman.

Secretary—Mrs. Ellis Turley.

Treasurer—Miss Alice Rollwage.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, members fifteen.

President—Mrs. J. W. Ferrill.

Vice President—Mrs. S. A. Hail.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. N. Reed.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. N. Reed.

Treasurer—Mrs. H. L. Minikin.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, members —.

President—Mrs. James J. Vaulx.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Thomas Shore.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Sue Walker.

Treasurer—Mrs. George H. Blanchard.

OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL BRANCH OF THE JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Trinity Cathedral, Junior Branch, Little Rock.

President—Miss Jessie Adams.

Secretary and Treasurer—Miss Estelle Callaway.

Christ Church, Junior Branch, Little Rock.

President and Treasurer—Miss Bessie Goodwin.

Vice President and Secretary—Miss Rosa Miller.

Trinity Church, Junior Branch, Pine Bluff.

President—Mrs. Martha Valliant.

Vice President—Miss Adele Hunn.

Treasurer—Miss Mamie Eagle White.

Secretary—Miss Pauline Scull.

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Right Reverend Father, Clergy and Members of the Woman's Auxiliary:

It is with great pleasure and thankfulness we meet together once more to render an account of our stewardship. Heartily welcome are all present. With these annual recurring meetings we come nearer and nearer together, our interests more united, and we hope our work more vital and successful. By this personal contact we learn the need of individual development, to further our interests and to aid in bringing the spirit of our Lord among us. As a body of women; we stand as bearers of truth and good will, and for our end, we have the enlisting of women for such activities as center in the life of the Church. When we meet, it should be to cheer, to encourage each other for greater effort in behalf of the greatest work on earth, spreading the gospel of our Lord Christ. We are all pledged by baptism to be His followers and to fight under His banner; let us to-day pledge ourselves to fight more faithfully and earnestly than ever before. On all sides greater Missionary effort and zeal are needed. More doors are opened, but where are the workers eager to enter, and where the means to send them? If the members of the Church would only realize that his or her five or ten cents is as much value to the cause as the thousands of others who give of their abundance, matters might be more different. Our Bishop's hands are hampered for wanting means for Diocesan work. While there are frequent failures to meet Church obligations, seldom do you find one unable to go to an entertainment or gratify personal wishes. We miss some faces to-day. I wish we could have one or two delegates from each branch in the Diocese. Such absences is one reason why there is not a wider knowledge of Missions and their needs. There is now no lack of sources of knowledge, whatever lack there may be in accepting the knowledge. If we would make this meeting one of profit to the Master, we should take up the duties of the hour in such a way as to try to make this the very best meeting we have ever had, and to send forth

from its influences that will make the next annual meeting better than this. It is not my intention to occupy your time in listening to a general scope of the year's work. The secretary will do that. Our delegates will give their own reports from their respective branches. You will find there has been some increase in our ranks. We hope, as you hear the gleanings from the year's harvest, your prayers will multiply and your strength will increase in efforts for the promotion of Woman's Auxiliary work in the Church of Arkansas and elsewhere. The sum total of all work is made up of little duties well performed. It is a work in which all should help. Some can do more than others, but each should resolve to do her whole duty. To know that we have aided even a little in spreading the "Faith which was once delivered unto the saints," is a blessed privilege. This is the day of multiplied charities and women's societies both in and out of the Church. So much so and to such a degree has she advanced in many ways that it is often called the "woman's century." By some, woman's best work is said to be that of influence. While lifted up by that thought, we are humbled to the very dust when we remember that God can use such weakness, but we know He is pleased to work through the least of His children. Is each one here to-day praying, studying, giving as far as she is able? Remember, the threefold obligation which rests upon each member, praying, studying, giving. If the woman is in the right attitude to her home, to her Parish, to her Diocese, then we may look for right results. I regret much that I cannot visit each branch during the year, as personal contact affords better opportunity for interchange of thought. I have received many letters, and how many I have written will not venture to say, and I do hope in the future you will acquaint your president, whoever she may be, with the work of your auxiliaries by monthly or weekly letters. Not a written report but simply a letter with a general outline of your work, so that she may keep in closer touch with you. You will have statistical reports, but there are many acts of love and kindness unwritten save in the "book of life." The "Macedonian cry" has come strong and loud from many directions. Have we rung out our reply as strong as we might? Do you know of our work among the Indians, among our own colored race, in Alaska, China and Japan? Had not St. Paul believed in foreign Missions, where would the women of our Church be now? Certainly not in colleges, clubs and independent business positions, in a word, man's equal. "If she be poor, slight-natured, miserable, how shall men grow?" As the Diocesan branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, we owe our first allegiance to him who is set over us in the Lord, our Bishop. As the Woman's Auxiliary we may not rest here, but leave no means untried by which we can help the Board of Missions. Some say two mite chests are confusing, but we think not. Every church helped by the opening of our red boxes is a light on a hill. Our blue or united offering box is meant, you know, to mark our thanksgiving for the mercies of three years, and is over

and above our regular work. Is it fair to keep it in a corner waiting until the last few months to accumulate with difficulty what would have been comparatively easy if done systematically? Remember the contents of these boxes must be sent to our Diocesan treasurer not later than the very first of September in order that he may in turn send in good time to the General Treasurer in New York. We are anxious to have representatives at the great Triennial meeting in October, and this should be our time to elect delegates. Miss Emery writes me she would like our offering presented in an envelope or some receptacle, upon which shall be photographed or painted a picture of the first church in the Diocese. This can be discussed later or put in the hands of a committee. Would it not be well for us if we could have a "quiet day" set apart, it is customary in so many of our branches. The day to be chosen by the delegates, or better still, suggested by the Bishop. To avail ourselves of the peacefulness of a day passed in God's dear presence, all worldly cares and responsibilities laid aside for a few hours. With such loving service, like Mary's at His feet, we should be strengthened and refreshed, for our busy lives. I would like to see a Junior Auxilliary in every Parish, also a Babies' Branch, the kindergarten of the Junior Department. Strange to say there seems on the whole but little interest taken in this work. It may be that it is not well understood. It is to the boys and girls of our Sunday Schools what the Board of Missions is to the men and the Woman's Auxilliary to the women of our Church. It is a distinctive possession of the children, in which they stand side by side with their elders. It is well to have it under the guidance and direction of the Woman's Auxilliary. A Church Periodical Club is something to which we have never contributed. What a pleasure it must be to our far-away Missionaries. Many an hour which must be lonely and dreary can be lightened and brightened by sending magazines and periodicals to those who find it impossible to purchase them, but would greatly enjoy reading them and appreciate the thoughtfulness. These books need not necessarily be new, but already read, which in many instances are used to kindle fires or thrown into the waste paper basket. I have written through the Diocese urging women who are not members of the Auxilliary to contribute twenty-five cents each to the United Offering. It seemed to your president they would be glad to do this. State pride, if no higher motive, should be an inspiration. We ought to blush for shame to be ranked below the heathen. "The law was a shadow of good things to come." Do we who have fully entered into the enjoyment of the substance, show our gratitude by larger offerings than the Jews? The Lord we worship, is the same yesterday, to-day and forever, and the things that pleased Him in the days of the patriarchs and prophets, please Him now. To reverence his sanctuary, to make glorious the earthly house of His abode, to care for His priests, to relieve His poor and bring free-will offerings when we go into His courts, is as acceptable now as in the day long gone. To come up to the

full stature of the perfect man in Jesus Christ, we must love as He loved, always, everywhere and everybody. Wherever a human heart beats there is sin, and therefore suffering. To teach the guilty one the penalty and remedy for his sin, and to comfort the suffering is the Christian's high duty, and the limit to it is simply the capacity God has given us. But see that you do not put the limit too low. Dear co-workers, let us seek for greater strength in prayer to God. To every earnest worker comes sooner or later the knowledge of her own limitations, which is apt to cause discouragement, but remember God calls for no greater standard than "she hath done what she could." But let us above all things be faithful in using what little power we have. The question for us is the same that is probably asked in every Diocesan Branch: What is our duty to our Diocese, so that we can sustain its work and yet have time or money to give to distant fields? If we lack in riches, we may double in prayers. If we go in the right spirit, there can be no failure. Give to him who needs with wise discrimination, think, plan, and care for him always, everywhere, without looking for a return. Often when you cease to be expectant, the reward does come even in this life. To those who have sowed beside all waters and patiently and humbly toiled while waiting for the harvest, the warmth "that belongs to the sunlight," refreshingly falls "and at eventide there shall be light."

MRS. J. B. PILLOW,

President of the Woman's Auxiliary of Arkansas.

ADDRESS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARKANSAS BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

To the Members of the Auxiliary:

The Woman's Auxiliary, in this and every other Diocese, represents an association of Christian women—women full of frailties of thought, speech and action, yet strong in *faith*—women who are animated with the single-hearted desire of *helping* to spread the gospel—simply that! We are to aid in seating chapels throughout our Diocese, whose spires with "silent finger shall point to heaven;" we are to sustain ministers, dedicated to preach that gospel, from the pulpits of those chapels where men and women shall hear the message and be inspired to become Christlike heads of families, Christian law-makers and Christian rulers in our charitable and educational institutions; we are to guard ourselves against the fatal contagion of skepticism, sham and vain glory, that our influence may go to promote the spiritual life above the material and intellectual.

Such is the responsibility laid upon us.

May we realize and accept it.

I was at a reading club some years ago, where a dainty, earnest, little daughter of the hostess dispensed light refreshments on a waiter to the guests. I was struck with the careful, painstaking, unpretentious manner in which the duty was performed to each and all impartially, and remarked to her mother, in an aside:

"Your little daughter must be a comfort to you."

"Indeed, yes—her brother is older, but she keeps him in order."

"She is her brother's conscience-keeper, I suppose," I replied.
The mother looked up as if arrested by the chance thought, and so earnestly:

"My friend, you say truly—she is his conscience-keeper."

Each of us is *somebody's* conscience-keeper, and each of us stands in peril of the weakness shown by the first woman, who, as a conscience-keeper, proved—a traitor!

In us *that* transgression may be redeemed through the atonement of Christ. By speeding His message of love and pardon and encouragement to the men and women of this land and those beyond the seas we may become "corners of His temple," to uphold and strengthen it, an idea so effectually embodied in the caryatides of ancient Greek architecture and used for a symbol by the Psalmist David. There will be self-renunciation and oftentimes weariness with disappointments, but since

"The paths that lead us to God's throne
Are worn by children's feet,"

I offer for your encouragement the advice given by

"THE CHILD JUDGE:"

"Go make thy garden fair as thou canst,
Thou workest never alone;
Perchance he whose plot is next to thine
Will see it and mend his own.

And the next may copy his, sweetheart,
Till all grows fair and sweet;
And when the Master comes at eve
Happy faces his coming will greet.

Then shall thy joy be full, sweetheart,
In the garden so fair to see.
In the Master's words of praise for all,
In a look of his own for thee."

ELLEN HARRELL CANTRE

Little Rock, Ark., May 6, 1901.

REPORT OF TREASURER WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

1900.	RECEIPTS.	
May 1.—Balance		\$16.51
May 3.—From Helena branch for expense fund		.50
May 3.—From Pine Bluff for Diocesan Missions, subject to order from Pine Bluff branch		11.24
September 10.—From Fayetteville for United Offering		10.10
October 8.—From Hot Springs for United Offering		14.26
October 8.—From Hot Springs for Rev. I. W. Dunn, Independence, Mo.		25.00
1900.		
October 18.—From Newport for United Offering		11.65
October 23.—From Batesville for United Offering		10.00
October 29.—From Helena for Van Buren Rectory		1.00
November 24.—From Batesville towards restoring Endowment Fund of Church at Galveston		5.00
December 3.—From Helena (dues) for United Offering		5.00
December 5.—From Newport for Diocesan tax		1.00
December 10.—From Trinity Cathedral for church building in San Juan, Porto Rico		10.00
1901.		
February 27.—From Trinity Cathedral for church in Mammoth Spring, Ark.		5.00
February 27.—From Lake Village		3.65
April 6.—From Forrest City for Diocesan Missions		4.45
May 2.—From Trinity Cathedral for Diocesan tax		1.00
Total receipts		\$135.36

1900.	DISBURSEMENTS.		
June 1.—To Venerable R. W. Rhames (for Monticello by order of Pine Bluff branch), Diocesan Missions		\$11.24	
October 8.—To Rev. J. W. Dunn, Independence, Mo., from Hot Springs		25.00	
October 29.—To Rev. J. B. Whaling for Van Buren Rectory, from Helena		1.00	
November 24.—To Bishop George H. Kinsolving for Galveston Endowment Fund, from Batesville		5.00	
December 11.—To George C. Thomas, Treasurer for church building in San Juan, Porto Rico, from Trinity Cathedral		10.00	
February 27.—To George C. Thomas, Treasurer for church in Mammoth Spring, Ark., from Trinity Cathedral		5.00	
April 8.—To H. C. Rather, Diocesan Treasurer for Diocesan Missions, from Forrest City		4.45	
May 2.—To Mrs. E. H. Cantrell, Diocesan Secretary Woman's Auxiliary, for Diocesan Missions		4.80	66.49
Balance in bank		\$68.87	
Of which United Offering is		65.22	
Leaving balance for Auxiliary		\$3.65	

MRS. P. K. ROOTS,
Diocesan Treasurer Woman's Auxiliary of Arkansas.

DIOCESAN CONSTITUTION.

Revised according to suggestions of the Bishop, May 1, 1901,
and adopted May 10, 1901.

ARTICLE I.**NAME.**

The name of this association shall be "The Arkansas Branch of
the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions."

ARTICLE II.**OBJECT.**

Its object is by united and systematic action, to increase the
interest and unite all the women in the Diocese in the various
branches of the Church's Missionary work.

ARTICLE III.**MEMBERSHIP.**

Section 1. This association is composed of the members of the
local branches (including junior and babies' branches) organized
for the work of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Arkansas.

Sec. 2. Any organization of church women may become a
local branch of this association by adopting its object and annually
assisting in the Missionary work of the Church, notifying the Dio-
cesan Secretary of the fact, and paying annually \$1 dues on the
1st of May.

Sec. 3. The treasurer of the local branches shall send all money
collected to the Diocesan Treasurer. The local secretary shall
make an annual report on May 1 to the Diocesan Secretary of all
work done, with description and value of all contributions.

Sec. 4. Each local branch shall be entitled to but one vote in
the annual Diocesan meetings, but may send any number of dele-
gates, one of whom shall be authorized to cast the vote and assume
the pledge for any specific work undertaken by the Diocesan branch.

Sec. 5. Each local branch may form its own Constitution and
By-laws.

ARTICLE IV.**OFFICERS.**

The officers of this association shall be President, two Vice
Presidents, one from each Archdeaconry, a Secretary and a Treasurer,
and a Director of the Junior Branch elected annually in conven-
tion. These officers shall form a Board of Managers and Trustees
of this association, and shall meet quarterly in October, January
and April, at the call of the President.

ARTICLE V.**DUTIES OF OFFICERS.**

Section 1. The President shall preside, and in her absence one
of the Vice Presidents. She shall call meetings and perform such

duties as pertain to her office, and shall make every effort, through the Vice Presidents and otherwise, to direct the work of the local branches in raising money for the support of some one or more of the departments of Missionary work, and shall form new local auxiliaries wherever practicable. Shall appoint an auditing committee of two persons, who shall examine the accounts and vouchers of the Diocesan Treasurer, and report result at the annual meeting.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of each Vice President, in addition to the customary assistance to the President, to take charge of the Woman's Auxiliary work in her jurisdiction, to assist the Diocesan officers in the distribution of work, and in every way strive to arouse and maintain active interest in all departments of the work.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall correspond with the General Secretary, and the Missionaries, and find out where help is needed, and of what kind; shall correspond with local secretaries and arrange the work, so that a general oversight may be kept by one person. She shall keep a correct list of all Diocesan officers, Parish secretaries, and Clergymen in the Diocese, with addresses of the same. She shall take the minutes of all meetings, and prepare a report for the annual meeting and for circulation in the Diocese.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall receive and forward all money offerings and shall pay out money only as voted by the Diocesan Branch or Board of Managers, except money received for a definite purpose may be paid for that purpose without a formal vote; shall keep an account of all money and boxes contributed for Missionary and other purposes by the local branches or individuals; and, as Treasurer, shall, after the accounts and vouchers are audited, embody a full account in the annual report.

ARTICLE VI.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting of the association; *provided*, that notice of the proposed change has been given with the call for a meeting.

BY-LAWS.

1. There shall be an annual meeting of this association at the time appointed for Diocesan Council, at such time and place as the Board of Managers (or Secretary, with the advice of the President) shall designate.

2. In case of vacancy in any office the same may be filled at a stated or called meeting of the Board of Managers, and anyone appointed by them shall continue in office until the next annual meeting.

3. Special meetings may be called by the President at such time and place as she may designate, for the purpose of stimulating interest in the work.

4. The stated meetings of the Board of Managers with the President as chairman, shall be held in May at any place designated, and at these meetings any number present may constitute a quorum.

5. It is expected that each Parish branch shall contribute annually not less than one dollar (\$1) to the expense fund.

6. These By-laws may be amended at any annual meeting by a vote of a majority present.

APPENDIX XIV.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS FOR THE CONCILIAR YEAR 1901.

PARISHES.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, Independence County.

The Rev. Lawrence Sydney Shermer, Rector; residence, Rectory, Batesville; Mr. I. Conway Fitzhugh, Lay Reader; J. C. Fitzhugh and Dr. Wm. B. Lawrence, Wardens; William Ramsey, Clerk; J. E. Rosebrough, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 145. Number of families, 38. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5. Confirmations, 12. Marriages, 1. Burials, 8. Number of confirmed persons, 96. Communicants—Admitted, 12; received, 1; died, including stranger from Sayville, N. Y., 4; removed, 1; present number, 91. Sunday School—Teachers, 7; pupils, 57; total, 64. Public Services—On Sunday, 111; on other days, 72; Holy Communion, 20. Sittings in the church, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$887.57; other Parochial expenses, \$1,300. Diocesan—Bishop's Salary, \$60; aged and infirm Clergy, \$12.75; Church extension fund, \$33.96; council tax, \$20. —Missions—Jews, \$1; University of the South, \$7.35. Total for all objects, \$2,323.13.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$700; value of Church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$1,800; total value of all Parish property, \$4,500.

With the gift of \$600 from the Church extension fund and \$1,050 raised by the Parish, the Rectory was built in the fall of 1900. At a bazaar held December 13, 1900, the Ladies' Aid realized \$250 and with this fund they caused a fence to be built at a cost of \$100, and other improvements were made, such as canvassing and papering new Rectory. The Ladies' Aid contributed \$225 to the Rectory fund. A choice selection of Sunday School Library books to the number of

over 400 books were sent as a gift from an eastern Parish to the Sunday School in Batesville. The Parish has worked well but many faithful communicants were called away by their Master during the past year, and the Parish will suffer a great deal by the death of these people who have been liberal supporters. Mr. Harvey L. Miniken, a vestryman and a very faithful and generous churchman, was taken out of this life, and we lament the loss.

St. John's Church, Camden, Ouachita County.

The Rev. Daniel Breck Ramsey, Rector; residence, Camden; P. Lynch Lee, Lay Reader; Joseph A. Reeves and P. Lynch Lee, Wardens; Hamilton G. Smith, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 80. Number of families, 23. Baptisms—Infants, 5. Burials, 4. Number of confirmed persons, 54. Communicants—Received, 3; removed, 1; present number, 49. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 23; total, 27. Public Services—On Sunday, 98; on other days, 56; Holy Communion, 22. Sittings in the Church, 180.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$47; current expenses, \$596; payment of debts, \$73; total, \$716. Diocesan—Assessment, \$12; Church extension, \$11; total, \$23. Mission—General, \$27. Total for all objects, \$766.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of Church building, \$2,500; value of Rectory, \$800; other Parish property, \$200. Total value of all Parish property, \$4,500. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$44.

St. James's Church and Trinity Mission Consolidated, Eureka Springs, Carroll County.

C. F. Ellis, M. D., Lay Reader; John C. Cunningham and C. F. Ellis, Wardens; Frederick Lee, Clerk; Lafayette D. Fuller, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 64. Number of families, 28. Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Number of confirmed persons, 32. Communicants—Admitted, 17; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 30. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 20; total, 23. Public Services—On Sunday, 86; on other days, 40; Holy Communion, 14. Sittings in the Church, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$210.75, payment of debts, \$216; other Parochial expenses, \$28.61. Diocesan—Assessment, \$9; Missions, \$24.33; aged and infirm Clergy, \$1.25. Missions—Foreign, \$5.29; Domestic, \$5.30; Jews, \$1.25. Total for all objects, \$501.78.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$950; value of Church building, \$1,000; endowment or invested funds amount to, \$108. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,058.

Trinity Mission, formed June 6, 1900, by unanimous vote and by petition individually signed, prayed to be consolidated with St. James's Church and Parish, and were duly received; the Mission therefore having conveyed its property, its register, its key, and its interests to the Bishop of the Diocese, and to the Rev. W. D. Williams, Minister in charge of St. James's Church, ceased to exist after its meeting on Easter Monday, 1901, and therefore became an integral part of St. James's Church and Parish, Eureka Springs.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, St. Francis County.

The Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish, Rector; residence, Forrest City; John Gatling and Harry A. Knight, Wardens; Walter Gorman, Clerk; Ellis Turley, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 84. Number of families, 30. Baptisms—Infants, 3. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 48. Communicants—Admitted, 2; received, 6; died, 1; removed, 3; present number, 48. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 31; total, 36. Public Services—On Sunday, 44; on other days, 66; Holy Communion, 14. Sittings in the Church, 200.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$13.83; current expenses, \$363.86; improvements, \$127.85; purchase of Rectory, all paid, \$1,250; total, \$1,755.54. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10; Missions, \$5.13; Episcopal fund, \$5.15; aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.55; total, \$23.83. Missions—General, \$20.35; foreign, \$4.94; domestic, \$4.94; American Church building fund, \$3.20; University of the South, \$9.65; aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.30; Galveston flood sufferers, \$11.95; widows and children of deceased Clergy, \$1.70; total, \$60.03. Total for all objects, \$1,839.40.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,800; value of Church building, \$3,000; value of Rectory, \$800. Total value of all Parish property, \$5,600.

Rev. Edward L. Kemp was Rector until December 31, 1900. Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish took charge of the Parish March 1, 1901.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, Sebastian County.

The Rev. Angus Archibald Robertson, Rector; residence, 219 North Sixth Street, Fort Smith; William Armistead Falconer, Lay Reader; Dr. Wilbur T. Cate, Warden, Dr. William Worth Bailey, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 500. Number of families, 100. Baptisms—Infants, 24; adults, 14; total, 38. Confirmations, 60. Marriages, 13. Burials, 11. Number of confirmed persons, 215. Communicants—Admitted, 55; received, 7; died, 7; removed, 9; present

number, 215. Sunday School—Teachers, 9; pupils, 150; total, 159. Public Services—On Sunday, 208; on other days, 2; Lent every day, two services, 80; Holy Communion, once every Sunday, 52. Sittings in the Church, 300.

Services are supported by quarterly subscription, monthly subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$44.88; current expenses, \$2,172.66; improvements on building, \$850; total, \$3,067.54. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50; Missions, \$62.93; Bishop's salary, \$54; Bishop Pierce's memorial chancel at Fayetteville, \$9.15; total, \$176.08. Missions—Church in Nation, I. T., \$8.50; foreign, \$25; Church extension, \$80.30; University of the South, \$10; distressed strangers claiming to be churchmen, one at hospital, another financially stranded in city, \$10; total, \$133.80. Total for all objects, \$3,377.42.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000; value of Church building, \$17,800; value of Rectory, \$1,200; total value of all Parish property, \$21,000; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,700.

In addition to the matters reported, the Guilds of the Church report as follows; St. Anne's Chapter, April, 1900, to April, 1901, present number of members, 31. Lost four by removal; gained one. Collected from members, \$138; amount paid on Church loan and other expenses, \$124.31; on hand, \$11. St. Monica's Chapter, 30 visits on sick; 37 members, four deaths; money raised, \$230; paid out on loan and other expenses, \$120; on hand, \$110. This \$100 in bank is reserved for a memorial window. This adds to the money raised, \$368, making a total for the Church and all its branches (including Sunday School, \$152.38), \$3,897.52.

St. John's Church, Helena, Phillips County.

The Rev. Charles H. Lockwood, Rector; residence, 507 Perry Street, Helena; Mr. N. F. Bruce, Lay Reader; Judge P. O. Thweatt and Hon. Greenfield Quarles, Wardens; Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 415. Number of families, 118. Baptisms—Infants, 18; adults, 11; total, 29. Confirmations, 21. Marriages, 4. Burials, 11. Number of confirmed persons, 285. Communicants—Admitted, 21; received, 8; died, 1; removed, 13; present number, 263. Sunday School—Teachers, 19; pupils, 143; total, 162. Public Services—On Sunday, 138; on other days, 109; Holy Communion, 74. Sittings in the Church, 550.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$16.95; current expenses, \$2,670.40; Christmas Day (Rector), \$15.80; Ophelia Polk Moore Home, \$202.73; Ladies Aid Society, \$365.30; Young Ladies Guild, \$127.60; total, \$3,398.78. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50; Missions, \$203.20; Bishop's salary, \$191.75; aged and infirm Clergy, \$19.40; Bishop's visit, \$7.75; Mission Mammoth Spring, \$25; Mis-

sion Monticello, \$18.80; sundry Missions, \$15.65; Church extension, \$155; total, \$686.55. Missions—Domestic, \$34.56; University of the South, \$15.30; Clergy fund, \$18.65; Galveston sufferers, \$81.30; Mission in Colorado, \$26; total, \$175.81. Total for all objects, \$4,261.14.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$3,000; value of Church building, \$30,000; value of Rectory, \$3,500; other Parish property, \$3,000; total value of all Parish property, \$39,500.

The Ophelia Polk Moore Memorial Home mentioned in the financial report above, a Church institution, is supported by the voluntary contributions of people belonging to the Church, to the denominations, and by those who do not belong to any Christian Society including the people who hold to the Jewish religion, and worship in Temple Beth-El.

St. Mark's Church, Hope, Hempstead County.

Samuel A. Knighton, Lay Reader; Judson T. West and Samuel A. Knighton, Wardens; Moses H. Barlow, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 60. Number of families, 19. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmations, 5. Number of confirmed persons, 30. Communicants—Admitted, 2; present number, 33. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 15; total, 18. Public Services—On Sunday, 29; on other days, 15; Holy Communion, 9. Sittings in the Church, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$2.75; current expenses, \$219.75; painting the church, \$60; total, \$286.50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15; Missions, \$35.35; Episcopal fund, \$30; Arkansas Church extension building fund, \$5; Ladies, \$9.05; in aid of repairing church at Prescott, \$11; total, \$105.40. Missions—Easter offering, \$35; University of the South, \$2.05; Indian famine fund, \$3.35; total, \$40.40.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$350; value of Church building, \$1,000; other Parish property, \$350; total value of all Parish property, \$1,700.

St. Mark's Church, after the Rev. Martin Damer resigned in June, was without Sunday ministrations until January 1, when Archdeacon Williams took temporary charge. After January 1, Sunday ministrations have been regularly held. It has been the Bishop's purpose that we should have a Rector, and that is still the purpose. The Bishop thus far has not been able to make a nomination. During the autumn the Rev. Percy T. Fenn, D. D., of Texarkana, Texas, conducted services in our Church every Friday night.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, Garland County.

The Rev. Ephraim Watt, Rector; residence, Hot Springs; Morris C. Tomblor and Fred N. Rix, Wardens; Harry R. Vaughan, Clerk; Fred N. Rix, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 309. Number of families, 90. Baptisms—Infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 1. Burials, 8. Number of confirmed persons, 140. Communicants—Admitted, 3; received, 1; present number, 140. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 76; total, 82. Sitzings in the Church, 10.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings—Communion alms, \$49.25; current expenses, \$1,334.99; payment of debts, \$954.90; total, \$2,339.14. Diocesan—Assessment, 10; aged and infirm Clergy, \$4.80; total, \$34.80. Total for all objects, \$2,373.94.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000; value of Church building, \$17,000; other Parish property, \$5,800; total value of all Parish property, \$32,800. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,400.

I took charge of the Church on the 3d of March, and from lack of time the report is somewhat imperfect.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Pulaski County.

The Rev. J. Percy Robottom, M. A., Dean; residence, 1613 Spring Street, Little Rock; P. K. Roots, Lay Reader; P. K. Roots and W. A. Cook, Wardens; Clement H. Yost, Clerk; T. W. Yeakle, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 325. Number of families, 100. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 3. Number of confirmed persons, 200. Communicants—Admitted, 7; removed, 5; present number, 150. Sunday School—Teachers, 12; pupils, 90; total, 102. Public Services—On Sunday, all Sundays, morning and evening throughout the year; on other days, all Holy days; Holy Communion, every Sunday and Holy day. Sitzings in the Church, 500.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

The present Dean assumed control of the services of the Cathedral on the first Sunday of February of the present year. No records are available for this report. It is gratifying to state that funds are at hand to repair thoroughly the Cathedral building. The services are well attended and it is generally believed that the Cathedral Parish has a bright future.

Christ Church, Little Rock, Pulaski County.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector; residence, 509 Scott Street, Little Rock; the Rev. Arnoldus Miller, Assistant; Maj. Parmam, Lay Reader; Dr. Wm. A. Cantrell and Jno. W. Goodwin, Wardens; Frank M. Jefferson, Clerk; H. C. Rather, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 1,000. Number of families, 30. Baptisms—Infants, 27; adults, 15; total, 42. Confirmations, 55. Marriages, 13. Burials, 22. Number of confirmed persons, 700.

Communicants—Admitted, 56; received, 22; died, 10; removed, 5; present number, 601. Sunday School—Teachers, 46; pupils, 410; total, 456. Public Services—On Sunday, 110; on other days, 115; Holy Communion, 62. Sittings in the Church, 700.

Services are supported by pew rents, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$235.16; current expenses, \$4,950; payment of debts, \$2,250; Ladies' Aid Society, \$757.25; Daughters of the Kings, \$425; Chancel Guild, \$125; Christ Church Sunday School, \$500. St. Paul's Chapel, \$512.60; total, \$9,758.96. Diocesan—Assessment, \$115; Missions, \$237.60; Bishop's Salary, \$137; total, \$489.60. Missions—General, \$138.17; foreign, \$50; domestic, \$50; University of the South, \$16; total, \$254.17. Total for all objects, \$10,512.73.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$14,500; value of Church buildings, \$60,000; value of Rectory, \$6,000; other Parish property, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$81,500.

The Easter offering amounted to nearly \$2,800. The Church is at last free from debt, and will be consecrated Sunday, May 12. The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Tennessee will preach the consecration sermon. A new organ, costing \$5,000, will be placed in the church next fall. St. Paul's Chapel, a Mission of the Church, was never in a more flourishing condition. May God continue to bless the wonderful work of Mr. Fay Hempstead at St. Paul's Chapel.

St. Andrew's Church, Mammoth Spring, Fulton County.

The Rev. Edmund Neville, Rector; residence, West Plains, Mo.; P. P. B. Hynson, Sr., Warden.

Number of registered Parishioners, 25. Number of families, 4. Baptisms—Total, 2. Communicants—Present number, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, 26; on other days, 6; Holy Communion, 15. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$24; current expenses, \$40.08; payment of debts, \$85; Rector's salary, \$126; Church repairs, \$35; total, \$310.08. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Missions, \$5; Episcopal fund, \$5; total, \$15. Missions—Domestic, \$3. Total for all objects, \$328.08.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of Church building, \$1,500; value of Rectory, \$700; total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.

St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, Lee County.

The Rev. Joseph J. Cornish, Rector; residence, Forrest City; Dudley S. Clark, Lay Reader; Dudley S. Clark and Joseph F. Rankin, Wardens; John M. Daggett, Clerk; F. Noel Burke, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 80. Number of families, 21.

Baptisms—Infants, 3. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 3; Burials, 2. Number of Confirmed persons, 53. Communicants—Admitted, 1; received, 4; died, 2; removed, 2; present number, 49. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 35; total, 41. Public Services—On Sunday, 58; on other days, 45; Holy Communion, 21. Sitzings in the Church, 120. Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$485.20; payment of debts, \$248; Altar Guild, \$71.15; Sunday School, \$22.80; total \$827.15. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15; Missions, \$7.44; Episcopal Fund, \$7.80; aged and infirm Clergy, \$13.50; Church extension, \$4.35; Bishop's salary, \$24; total, \$72.09. Missions—General, \$25.35; foreign, \$4.04; domestic, \$4.04; American Church building fund, \$4.50; University of the South, \$7.75; other objects without the Diocese, \$17.35; total, \$63.03. Total for all objects, \$962.27.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$2,500; value of Rectory, \$2,000; total value of all Parish property, \$5,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$500.

The Parish has pledges, if paid, sufficient to pay off the debt the coming year.

St. Agnes's Church, Morrilton, Conway County.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Minister; residence, Little Rock; W. M. Scarborough and W. E. De Long, Wardens; W. M. Scarborough, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 28. Number of families, 12. Number of confirmed persons, 28. Communicants—Present number, 28. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 25; total, 30. Public Services—On Sunday, 14; on other days, 16; Holy Communion, 6. Sitzings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$8.34. Diocesan—Missions, \$30.86; total, \$39.20. Missions—General, \$1. Total for all objects, \$40.20.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$1,000; value of rectory, \$490; other Parish property, \$20; total value of all Parish property, \$2,010.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, Jackson County.

Lancelot Minor and Gustave Jones, Wardens; James S. Wilmans, Clerk; Junius R. Cox, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 137. Number of families, 50. Baptisms—Infants, 4; adults, 6; total, 10. Confirmations, 5. Marriages, 2. Burials, 5. Number of confirmed persons, 88. Communicants—Admitted, 5; died, 3; removed, 2; present number, 88. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 60; total, 66. Sitzings in the Church, 200.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$32.33; current expenses, \$171.02; payment of debts, \$57.65; minister's salary, \$800; sundry offerings, \$108.13, less amount applied on minister's salary, \$53.65; total, \$1,115.48. Diocesan—Assessment, \$12; Bishop's salary, \$6; aged and infirm clergy, \$14.19; Church extension fund, \$66.52; Sunday School, \$20.10; total, \$106.81. Missions—General, \$17.92; Jews, \$0.75; University of the South, \$12; total, \$30.67. Total for all objects, \$1,264.96.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$800; value of Church building, \$500; value of Rectory, \$1,500; total value of all Parish property, \$2,800.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, Jefferson County.

The Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, Rector; residence, Hotel Trulock, Pine Bluff; Horatio Riley, Lay Reader; Nichols B. Trulock and Robert E. Lee, Wardens; Frank Brunson Tomlinson, Clerk; Jos. Burton Trulock, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 510. Number of families, 153. Baptisms—Infants, 22; adults, 16; total, 38. Confirmations, 38. Marriages, 4. Burials, 11. Number of confirmed persons, 320. Communicants—Admitted, 38; received, 15; died, 11; removed, 9; present number, 320. Sunday School—Teachers, 15; pupils, 150; total, 165. Public Services—On Sunday, 112; on other days, 120; Holy Communion, 53. Sittings in the Church, 400.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$115.95; current expenses, \$3,543.64; Archdeacon Webber, \$67.75; total, \$3,727.34. Diocesan—Assessment, \$45; Missions, \$110.35; Bishop's Salary, \$100; aged and infirm Clergy, \$8; theological fund, \$11.85; hospital fund, \$200; total, \$475.20. Missions—General, \$15; foreign, \$12; domestic, \$31; India sufferers, \$15; Church building fund, \$20.17; University of the South, \$10; total, \$103.17. Total for all objects, \$4,305.71. Young Ladies' Guild, \$200; St. Andrew's Guild, \$70; Trinity Church assessment, \$336.20; Easter offering, \$2,155; total, \$2,761. Total amount raised in Parish, \$7,066.71.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$5,000; value of church building, \$17,500; value of Rectory now under construction, \$3,000; other Parish property, \$800; total value of all Parish property, \$26,300

Trinity Church Association has raised in the past year, \$336.20. The Young Ladies' Guild has raised \$200. St. Andrew's Guild has raised \$70. The Daughters of the King have increased fourteen in membership and have done beautiful work. The Junior Daughters of the King did splendid work. The Woman's Auxilliary has not been idle and not weary in well doing. The offering Easter Sunday

was the largest in the history of the Parish; it amounted to \$2,155. The total amount of money raised in the Parish for the year, \$7,066.71. The Woman's Auxilliary sent outside the Diocese two boxes of clothing valued at \$40.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, Crawford County.

The Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, Rector; residence, Van Buren; Sidney A. Pernot and Henry Faber, Wardens: Frank Anderson. Clerk; Charles Pape, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 180. Number of families, 70. Baptisms—Infants, 9; adults, 11; total, 20. Confirmations, 26. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 121. Communicants—Admitted, 29; died, 2; present number, 100. Sunday School—Teachers, 8; pupils, 80; total, 88. Public Services—On Sunday, 127; On other days, 97; Holy Communion, 69. Sittings in the Church, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$40.22. Current expenses, \$1,146.66. Diocesan—Assessment, \$20; Missions, \$41.25; offering Bishop's visit, \$3.75; Bishop's salary, \$24; Archdeacon Webber, two services, \$7.86. Missions—General, \$27.54. Total for all objects, \$1,311.29.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,775; value of Church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory \$2,500; total value of all Parish property, \$6,275.

Three boxes were sent out at different times to a Clergyman in the Diocese. A set of new purple hangings and book marks have been given and embroidered by the Daughters of the King. An electric light has been placed on the porch of the church. Notices of the Church services have been printed and framed and placed in the hotels, railroad stations, post office, etc. The children's Lenten offering was \$27.54, of this, \$2.07 was brought in by one child, for which she received the prize, a handsome prayer book and hymnal, offered to the child bringing in the most money in his pyramid. During the year we have had services held for us by the Rev. Mr. Forsythe, of Philadelphia, Archdeacon Williams, Archdeacon Webber, Rev. Mr. Vaulx and Rev. Mr. Robinson, and the Bishop, to whom a reception was given in the new Rectory. The Rector held two private baptismal services while visiting in Gibsland, La., the first Church services ever held there by any of the Clergy of our Church. The Rector also superintended a country Sunday School until he was compelled by the bad weather to give it up. A Wednesday evening Bible class has met weekly from house to house. About \$300 has been raised for building stone wall and putting iron fence around church and to enlarge vestry for the purpose of putting in large surpliced choir.

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

St. Luke's Church, Brinkley, Monroe County.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Missionary; residence, Searcy, White County; Thomas H. Jackson and Dr. Edward T. Owen, Wardens; Fred E. Sapp, Clerk; Benjamin Wright, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 51. Number of families, 20. Baptisms—Infants, 3; total 10. Confirmations, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 33. Communicants—Admitted, 2; received, 4; present number, 33. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 25; total, 28. Public Services—On Sunday, 16; on other days, 18; Holy Communion, 9. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$8; current expenses, \$16.85; payment of debts, \$274; salary of Missionary, \$46; Sunday School, \$5; total, \$349.85. Diocesan—Assessment, \$9; Church extension and endowment, \$1.98; aged and infirm Clergy, \$2; divinity education fund, \$2; total, \$14.98. Missions—General, \$10; foreign, \$1.98; domestic, \$1.99; American Church building fund, \$3.10; University of the South, \$1.60; total, \$18.67. Total for all objects, \$383.50.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of Church building, \$1,000; other Parish property, \$120; total value of all Parish property, \$1,370. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$54.

St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, Craighead County.

The Rev. W. P. Browne, Rector; residence, Jonesboro; W. T. Cone and D. P. Mann, Wardens; W. T. Cone, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 50. Number of families, 15. Baptisms—Infants, 8. Confirmations, 7. Marriages 1. Number of confirmed persons, 25. Communicants—Admitted, 7; received, 18; removed, 10; present number, 25. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 30; total, 34. Public Services—On Sunday, 48; on other days, 80; Holy Communion, 12.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$26.36; Guild, \$132.91; Rector's salary, \$110; total, \$268.27. Diocesan—Missions, \$2.50; special for Diocesan Missions by the Guild, \$4; total, \$274.77. Missions—General, \$6. Total for all objects, \$280.77.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$400; value of Church building, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$1,400.

St. Philip's Church (colored), Little Rock, Pulaski County.

The Rev. Percy J. Robottom (in charge); residence, 1613 Spring street, Little Rock; James W. Cole, Warden.

Number of registered Parishioners, 150. Number of families, 12. Baptisms—Infants, 3. Number of confirmed persons, 75. Communi-

cants—Admitted, 25. Sunday School—Pupils 12; total, 50. Public Services, every Sunday and Thursday evenings. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by endowment and by voluntary contributions.

St. Philip's congregation has taken on a new life within the past three months. The house of worship has been thoroughly and beautifully redecorated, and the chancel newly carpeted. The services are well attended and it is hoped that the assurance of regular services will wonderfully increase the interest and so the attendance, and gradually restore this colored congregation to its former prestige and position among the colored churches of Little Rock.

St. James's Mission, Prescott, Nevada County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Williams in charge; E. R. Armistead, M. D., Warden; W. R. Bathurst, M. D., Clerk; Charles A. Bemis, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 10. Number of families, 7. Number of confirmed persons, 8. Communicants—Present number, 8. Public services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 17; Holy Communion, 1. Sittings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$30; repairing the property, \$250; total \$280. Diocesan—Missions, \$6. Total for all objects, \$286.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of Church building, \$700. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

Church services had been wholly discontinued for several years and the property became an object of reproach and disgrace. The property has now been renovated and repaired with the substantial encouragement of the Bishop so that services have been resumed and will be continued in connection with the Hope District.

St. Mary's Mission, Foreman, Little River County.

Walter S. Hopson, Warden; Mrs. Carl Schuman, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 51. Number of families, 6. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—Removed, 7; present number, 16. Public Services—On Sunday, 8; on other days, 2; Holy Communion, 6.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$5. Diocesan—Assessment, \$1.80; Missions, \$6.96; total, \$8.76. Total for all objects, \$13.76.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$75.

There has been no Minister or Missionary for this work, except as Archdeacon Williams has cared for it. The people have devoted all their energies to raising a fund for the erection of a Church

edifice, hence the small amount contributed to the various objects. They have raised and paid to the Treasurer of the Building Fund of the Mission \$600, and have a lot donated for building purposes. This place should hereafter be known as Foreman. Rocky Comfort has disappeared and its post office abolished.

Trinity Church, Searcy, White County.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Minister; residence, Searcy; Thomas B. Paschall, Warden; Thomas Clay Jones, Clerk; Walter C. Dugan, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 37. Number of families, 11. Baptisms—Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7. Confirmations, 4. Burials, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 22. Communicants—Admitted, 4; died, 2; present number, 20. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 23; total, 26. Public Services—On Sunday, 29; on other days, 44; Holy Communion, 23. Sitzings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$9.75; current expenses, \$32.45; donations, \$41.25; Sunday School, \$36.73; insurance, \$9.57; Rector's salary, \$225; building and furnishing Church, \$1,200; total, \$1,554.75. Diocesan—Aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.75; theological education fund, \$2.05; total, \$5.80. Missions—General (Children's Lenten Savings) \$10; foreign, \$2; domestic, \$2.60; general Clergy relief, \$2.05; total, \$16.65. Total for all objects, \$1,577.20.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Church building, \$750; other Parish property, organ and furniture, \$450. Total valuation of all Parish property, \$1,400.

Grace Mission, Siloam Springs, Benton County.

Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Lay Reader; George A. Reid, Warden and Clerk; Com D. Chandler, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 16. Number of families, 8. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 13. Communicants—Present number, 13. Public Services—On other days, 14; Holy Communion, 6.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$1.50; current expenses, \$40.62; total \$42.12. Diocesan—Missions, \$7. Total for all objects, \$49.12.

Total value of all Parish property, \$20.

The above \$20 is in the Bank of Siloam Springs in trust for securing Church property. It was the Archdeacon's recommendation that the above sum should be placed in the name of the Bishop and his successors in office. The Guild unanimously voted to that effect at a meeting attended by the Archdeacon. Mr. W. J. Warrington also being present. Subsequently Mr. Warrington went out

among the members of the Guild and secured the rescinding of the previous motion and had the Guild vote that the \$20 should be placed in the name of Mr. John E. Stevenson, secretary of the Guild, and his successors in office. Services are held the third Thursday of every month in the Congregational Church, of which a rental of one dollar each service is paid. Mr. S. R. McAlpin, of Mena, conducts the services. The Archdeacon visits there every alternate month to celebrate Holy Communion.

Grace Church, Washington, Hempstead County.

William S. Eakin, Lay Reader; W. S. Eakin and C. E. Ratcliff, Wardens; Miss Alice Bouldin, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 21. Number of families, 7. Marriages, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 16. Communicants—Admitted, 3; died, 1; removed, 3; present number, 16. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 12; total, 14. Public Services—On Sunday, 11; on other days, 16; Holy Communion, 5. Sitzings in the Church, 160.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$1; current expenses, \$12.50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Missions, sent H. C. Rather, \$17.55; Episcopal fund, \$9; Easter offering and offerings during Lent to be used in Arkansas for the Church as seems best to the Bishop, \$4. Missions—General, \$7.50.

Value of Church building, \$300; value of Rectory, \$150; other Parish property, \$110; total value of all Parish property, \$560.

Our little flock sent \$7.50, collected in the pyramids during Lent, to foreign and domestic Missions. We kept no account of the offering during the time (two months since last Council) when Rev. M. Damer officiated with us, as he made no report of the offertory to the vestry. Archdeacon Williams can report on special collections taken up by him on the occasions of his highly enjoyable ministrations to our Parish. We have \$110 lent out on good security and bearing 10 per cent interest. The Rectory is in very bad shape and is occupied by a family who pay no rent but keep the fences up and improve the building to some extent every year. It cannot be rented for enough to pay insurance.

PREACHING STATIONS.

Booneville, Logan County.

Number of registered parishioners, 15. Number of families, 4. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 5. Communicants—Present number, 5. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 15; total, 18. Public Services—On other days, 6. No Church.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Sunday School, \$9. Diocesan—Missions, \$2.05. Total for all objects, \$11.05.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200.

We are building a church which is expected to be ready for service by June 1. It was thought best not to enumerate the expenditures until the chapel is paid for. Booneville is new work and gives promise.

Christ Church, Clarendon, Monroe County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Rhames, Minister; residence, Little Rock. Number of registered Parishioners, 19. Number of families, 7. Confirmations, 3. Burials, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 13. Communicants—Admitted, 8; received 3; present number 11. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 10; total, 13. Public Services—On Sunday, 4; on other days, 8; Holy Communion, 2.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Missions, \$7.06.

Money in bank, \$112.19.

St. Peter's Church, Conway, Faulkner County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Rhames, Minister. No organization except Guild.

Number of registered Parishioners, 25. Number of families, 6. Baptisms—Adults, 1. Confirmations, 5. Number of confirmed persons, 15. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 15; total 18. Public Services—On Sunday, 2; on other days, 20; Holy Communion, 1.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Purchase of old Methodist Church, \$250. Diocesan—Missions, \$0.25.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of Church building, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$1,300.

The acquirement of a church property in Conway will be of great value in sustaining a local Clergyman in that part of the State.

St. Paul's Church, Dardanelle, Yell County.

Number of registered Parishioners, 8. Number of families, 3. Number of confirmed persons, 4. Communicants—Present number, 4. Public Services—On Sunday, 3. Sitzings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Rectory, \$50; total value of

St. James's Church, Des Arc, Prairie County.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Missionary; residence, Searcy; Putnam Dickinson, M. D., Warden.

Number of registered Parishioners, 10. Number of families, 5. Number of confirmed persons, 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 2; on other days, 7.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Offerings at services, \$8; support of Missionary, \$15; total, \$23.

All Saints' Church, Devall's Bluff, Prairie County.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Missionary; residence, Searcy; Louis H. Owen, Warden; Fred A. Hippolite, M. D., Clerk; Louis H. Owen, Treasurer.

Number of Registered Parishioners, 25. Number of families, 9. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 11. Communicants—Present number, 4. Public Services—On Sunday, 11; on other days, 2; Holy Communion, 1.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Offerings at all services, \$8.60; support of Missionary, \$47; total, \$55.60.

Grace Station, Dumas, Desha County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Rhames, Minister; residence, Little Rock; no organization except Guild.

Number of registered Parishioners, 12. Number of families, 3. Communicants—Present number, 8.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Missions, \$26.02.

Grace Church Guild is working for funds to build a church in Dumas.

Preaching Station, El Dorado, Union County.

Number of registered Parishioners, 4. Number of families, 2. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 4. Communicants—Present number, 4. Public Services—On other days, 2.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Missions, \$2.96.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), not known.

There is a block of land in this town which was owned by the Church, and there was once a Chapel on it. If the land has not been forfeited it should be worth at least \$500. This is a thriving and growing town. They have recently built a new Baptist, a new Presbyterian Church, and are now getting ready to build a new Methodist Church. They are building a \$25,000 courthouse. They are building of brick. In my judgment, the town is not over-churched, and it would be well for us to erect a small brick Chapel.

It would cost probably \$1,200, and I do not think the two families we have there could contribute over \$100. It wouldn't pay to build a cheap structure. It is a point it would be well for us to hold if we can.

Immanuel Church, Lake Village, Chicot County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Rhames, Minister; residence, Little Rock; Parish organization defunct.

Number of registered Parishioners, 40. Number of families 12. Number of confirmed persons, 25. Communicants—Present number, 25. Public Services—On Sunday, 2; on other days, 8; Holy Communion, 3. Sittings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Building of Church, \$900. Diocesan—Missions, \$14.75; total for all objects, \$914.75.

Total value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Church building, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$1,200.

Church at Lonoke, Lonoke County.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Missionary; residence, Searcy; J. D. Shute, Warden, Duff Green, Clerk; J. D. Shute, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 15. Number of families, 3. Public Services—On other days, 6.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Offerings at all services, \$2.60; support of Missionary, \$18; total, \$20.60.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100.

St. Mary's Church, Medford, Desha County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Rhames, Minister; residence, Little Rock; no organization except Sunday School.

Number of registered Parishioners, 25. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 30; total, 34.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Missions, \$8.70.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of Church building, \$1,000.

There is a cloud on the title of this property. Land has never been deeded. Service has not been held for some time but will be revived.

Christ Mission, Mena, Polk County.

Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Lay Reader; James D. Shaver and William H. Boyce, Wardens; Algernon N. Smith, Clerk; William Lynn Matheny, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 73. Number of families, 22. Baptisms—Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6. Confirmations, 9. Burials, 2. Number of confirmed persons, 37. Communicants received, 2; died, 1; present number, 36. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 30; total, 34. Public Services—On Sunday, 37; on other days, 20; Holy Communion, 4.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$165.65; Church improvements, organ, insurance, \$129.07; total, \$294.72. Diocesan—Missions, \$3.20. General—University of the South, \$2. Total for all objects, \$299.92.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Church building, \$1,075; total value of Parish property, \$1,275.

The Mission was without services during the summer of 1900, except as occasional services were rendered by Archdeacon Williams. November 1, the Bishop appointed Mr. Sylvester Reed McAlpin, a Lay Reader and Postulant, to read services and do such work as may be permitted a Lay Reader. Much has been accomplished in every way. February 11, 1901, the Chapel was consecrated by the Bishop, and a class of nine persons confirmed. The Chapel is neat and attractive. The Mission is in good condition and the future hopeful.

St. Mary's Mission, Monticello, Drew County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Rhames, Minister; J. S. Dunn, M. D., and H. W. Wells, Wardens; J. S. Dunn, Clerk; H. W. Wells, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 15. Number of families, 3. Baptisms—Adults, 2. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 7. Communicants—Present number, 7. Public Services—On Sunday, 3; on other days, 18; Holy Communion, 4. Sitzings in the Church, 75.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings—Parochial—Current expenses, \$30; remodeling house, \$100; purchase of property, \$800; total, \$930. Diocesan—Missions, \$6.25. Total for all objects, \$936.25.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of Church building, \$500; value of Rectory, \$200; total value of all Parish property, \$1,200. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$30.

The services of Mr. Walter Bruce, of Helena, were of great value to the work in carrying on Lenten Services and looking after the remodeling of the Chapel and Rectory.

Mission at Osceola, Mississippi County.

The Rev. W. P. Browne, Missionary; residence, Jonesboro.

Number of registered Parishioners, 14. Number of confirmed Persons, 8. Communicants—Removed, 5; present number, 3.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.
Offerings. Parochial—\$45.

Mission at Paragould, Greene County.

The Rev. W. P. Browne, Missionary; residence, Jonesboro.
Number of registered Parishoners, 15. Baptisms—Adults, 1. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 12. Communicants—Admitted, 1; received, 3; died 1; present number 10.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.
Offerings. Parochial—\$55.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings). \$200 lot.

Ascension Station, Pocahontas, Randolph County.

The Rev. Archdeacon Rhames, Minister; residence, Little Rock; no organization except Guild.

Number of registered Parishoners, 20. Number of families, 5. Baptisms—Adults, 5. Confirmations 9. Number of confirmed persons, 12. Communicants—Present number, 12. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils 17; total, 20. Public Services—On Sunday, 4; on other days, 9; Holy Communion, 2.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Guild money in bank, \$130. Diocesan—\$14.50.

The people are very anxious to build a church as there is only one church in the town except the Roman Catholic.

Preaching Station at Rogers, Benton County.

Number of registered Parishoners, 16. Number of families 6. Number of confirmed persons, 7. Communicants—Present number, 7. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10; total, 12. Public Services—On other days, 7.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$10. Diocesan—Missions, \$5.62.

This is only a preaching station and has a small Guild named St. Andrew's, and a Sunday School which meets from house to house. I look upon the Sunday School as temporary, since the workers therein are visitors from Vermont and will probably return to their home in the Green Mountain State.

St. Stephen's Mission, Winslow, Washington County.

The Rev. Emil G. Hall, Missionary; residence, Winslow; Frederick Gregg and Emile H. Grube, Wardens; George Maitland, Clerk; Dr. Albert Dunlap, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishoners (original members of all have been continued with the Mission), 44. Number of

families now living here, 12. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmations, 1. Number of confirmed persons, 27. Communicants—Admitted, 1; died, 2; removed, 15; present number, 27. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 57; total, 61. Public Services—On Sunday, 104; on other days, 20; Holy Communion, 8. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$2.96; support of Missionary, \$49.20. Diocesan—Missions, \$3.50. Total for all objects, \$55.66.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of Church building, \$400; total value of all Parish property, \$500.

I have labored here since January, 1899, struggling along with the people here, sharing their poverty, privation and troubles of all kinds. I would have accomplished more had not my hands been tied by opposition by my being deprived of exercising all the duties of my priestly office, until this last Christmas when I was permitted to administer the sacraments and look more closely after the interests of the Mission. Since then the work has taken on new life. We are organized and are working to have our Church building consecrated as soon as the titles can be made in proper form. One cause of praise to God is the unity and harmony of our little flock. The contributions and offerings are small, but like the widow's mite they are the expressions of loving Christian hearts and the offerings of poverty.

St. Clement's Church, Arkansas City, Desha County.

The Rev. Archdeacon, Rhames, Minister; residence, Little Rock; C. P. Smith, M. D., and F. M. Rogers, Wardens; F. M. Rogers, Clerk; Mrs. Thane, Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 25. Number of families, 6. Communicants—Present number, 10. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; Pupils, 25; total, 29. Public Services—On Sunday, 8; other days 12; Holy Communion, 4. Sittings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$10; building Church, \$900; total, \$910. Diocesan—Missions, \$18.65. Total for all objects, \$928.65.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of Church building, \$1,000; other Parish property, \$300; total value of all Parish property, \$1,500.

The people here have given willingly and liberally and the new Chapel is nicely finished and furnished within and without.

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Parishes.	Number of Registered Parishioners.	Number of Families.	Baptisms—Infants.	Baptisms—Adults.	Confirmations—Total.	Marriages.	Burials.	Number of Communicants.	Communicants Received.	Communicants Discontinued.	Communicants Returned.	Communicants Present.	Sunday School Teachers.	Sunday School Pupils.	Total.	Public Services on Sunday.	Public Services on Other Days.	Holy Communion.	Number of Stages in Church.	Free, Assisted, or Rented.	Services Supported by.
PARISHES.																					
Batesville, St. Paul's	571	86	22	2	21	2	2	100	21	1	1	10	2	20	75	11	22	28	28	2	2
Canton, St. John's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Carroll Springs, St. James's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Daytonville, St. Paul's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Fort Smith, St. John's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Helena, St. John's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Idaho, St. Mark's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Little Rock, Christ Church	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Mammoth, St. Andrew's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Marion, St. Andrew's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Marion, St. Andrew's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Neauville, St. Paul's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Newport, St. Paul's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Phineas, St. Paul's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Van Buren, Trinity	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.																					
Arkansas City, St. Clement's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Brinkley, St. Luke's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Carroll, St. Mark's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Little Rock, St. Philip's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2
Prentiss, St. James's	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	25	2	1	1	2	2	2	25	2	2	2	2	2	2

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

STATIONS.	Lay Readers.	Number of Registered Parishioners.	Number of Families.	Baptisms—Infants.	Baptisms—Adults.	Baptisms—Total.	Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Number of Communicants Admitted.	Communicants Received.	Communicants Died.	Communicants Removed.	Communicants Present Number.	Sunday School Teachers.	Sunday School Pupils.	Total.	Public Services on Sunday.	Public Services on Other Days.	Holy Communion.	Number of Sitings in Church.	Free, Assigned,*	Services Supported by.	
Booneville	15	4	4	12		2	3	1		9	8			5	3	15	18		4	6				
Clarendon, Christ	19	7	7							13				11	3	10	13		13	8	2			
Conway, St. Peter's	25	6	6		1	1	5			15				15	3	15	18		3	20	1	150	a	
Dardanelle, St. Paul's	8	5	5							4				4										
Des Arc, St. James's	10	5	5							4				4										
Devall's Bluff, All Saints	25	9	9	2		2				11				4					11	2	1			
Dumas, Grace	12	3	3							8				8										
El Dorado	4	4	4			1				4				4										
Lake Village, Immanuel	40	12	12							25				25					2	2	3	150	a	b
Lonoke, St. Mark's	15	3	3																					
Medford, St. Mary's	25	3	3							37				36	4	30	34		1	20	4	120	a	b
Men's, Christ	1	3	3																					
Monticello, St. Mary's	15	3	3							7				7										
Oscalo	14	3	3							8				8										
Paragould	15	3	3							10				10										
Paragontas, Ascension	20	5	5					1		12				12	3	17	20		4	9	2			
Rogers	16	6	6							7				7	2	10	12		7	12				
Winklow, St. Stephen's	41	12	12							27				27	4	57	61		104	20	8	100	a	b
All Others										51				51					4	31				
Total	15	4,820	1,512	168	94	202	314	52	96	3,060	292	97	51	94	2,773	217	1,783	1,960	1,881	1,458	603	6,495		

* a) Free, (b) Assigned, (c) Rented. †(d) Endowment, (e) Pew Rents, (f) Annual Subscriptions, (g) Weekly Envelope System, (h) Voluntary Contributions.

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

PARISHES	Parochial— Commun. Alms.	Parochial— Current Expenses.	Parochial— Payment of Debts.	Parochial— Other Expenses.	Diocesan— Assessment.	Diocesan— Church Extension.	Diocesan— Bishop's Salary.	Diocesan— Aged and Infirm Clergy.	Diocesan— Other Objects.	Missions—General.	Missions—Foreign.	Missions—Domestic.	Missions—Jews.	Theological Depart- ment University of the South.	Other Objects with- out the Diocese.	Total for All Objects.
Batesville, St. Paul's	\$ 47 00	\$ 887 57	\$ 73 00	\$ 1,300 00	\$ 30 00	\$ 33 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 12 75	\$	\$ 27 00	\$	\$	\$1 00	\$ 7 35	\$	\$ 2,322 03
Camden, St. John's		566 00	216 00	12 00	12 00	11 00	5 00	1 25			5 20	5 20	1 25			716 00
Eureka Springs, St. James's		210 75		28 61	9 00	21 30										501 75
Fayetteville, St. Paul's				1,250 00	10 00	5 13	5 13	3 55		20 35	4 04	4 04		9 65	20 15	1,830 40
Fort St. City, Good Shepherd	13 81	2,683 04	127 85	530 00	50 00	143 23	54 00	19 40	19 15	8 50	25 00			10 00	3,807 80	4,387 80
Fort Smith, St. John's	16 95	2,670 40		711 43	50 00	425 40	181 75	19 40		35 00		34 56		15 30	125 05	4,384 14
Helena, St. John's	12 75	2,219 75		60 00	15 00	60 40	80 00	4 80						2 05	3 85	2,384 30
Hopewell, St. Mark's	49 25	1,354 98	954 91	30 00	30 00	20 00				128 17	50 00	50 00		16 00		2,373 04
Little Rock, Christ Church	255 16	4,950 00	2,550 00	2,323 80	115 00	237 00	150 00	4 80								10,515 73
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.																
Mammoth Sp. G. St. Andrew's	21 00	166 08	85 00	35 00	5 00	5 00	5 00			25 35	4 04	3 00		7 75	21 85	398 08
Marianna, St. Andrew's		485 20	248 01	55 95	15 00	11 70	31 80	13 50		1 00		4 04				962 27
Morrilton, St. Agnes's	8 34					30 86										40 20
Nashville, Redeemer																
Newport, St. Paul's	32 33	1,005 50	57 65	30 10	12 00	66 52	6 00	14 19		17 02	12 00			75	12 00	1,264 06
Pinhook, St. Paul's	115 95	3,543 64		45 00	45 00	130 32	100 00	8 00	211 85	15 00	12 00	31 00		10 00	15 00	7,006 71
Van Buren, Trinity	40 22	1,146 66		20 00	20 00	41 25	27 76		7 86	27 54						1,311 29
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.																
Arkansas City, St. Clement's.		10 00		900 00		18 65				10 00	1 06	1 06		1 00	5 10	988 65
Brinkley, St. Luke's	8 00	42 25	274 00	5 00	9 00		1 06	2 00		6 00						383 50
Clarksburg, St. Mary's		268 27				6 50										268 27
Conesboro, St. Mark's																
Little Rock, St. Philip's		30 00		250 00	1 80	6 00										286 00
Prescott, St. James's		5 00				6 00										11 00
Rocky Comfort, St. Mary's	9 75	303 75		1,241 25				3 75		10 00	2 00	2 00		2 05	2 05	1,577 50
Searcy, Trinity	1 50	40 62			5 00	7 00				7 50						49 12
Siloam Springs, Grace	1 00	12 50				21 55	9 00									34 05
Washington, Grace		204 88		2,318 07		204 06								2 00		2,522 94
Other Stations	2 96															
Total	\$645 53	\$21,289 62	\$4,286 40	\$14,215 96	\$423 80	\$1,567 71	\$672 44	\$833 19	\$238 86	\$319 50	\$103 25	\$137 43	\$1 83	\$805 75	\$103 43	\$44,327 72

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—*Concluded.*

PARISHES.	Parish Property — Value of all Parish Lands exclusive of Buildings.	Value of Church Buildings.	Value of Rectory.	Value of other Parish Property.	Endowment or other Funds Invested Amount to.	Total Value of all Parish Property.	Total Indebtedness of Parish.
Batesville, St. Paul's	\$ 700	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,800	\$	\$	4,500	
Camden, St. John's	1,000	2,500	800	200		4,500	44
Eureka Springs, St. James's	950	1,000			108	2,058	
Fayetteville, St. Paul's	2,000	4,000	3,000		800	9,800	
Forrest City, Good Shepherd	1,800	3,000	800			5,600	
Fort Smith, St. John's	2,000	17,800	1,200			21,000	1,700
Helena, St. John's	3,000	30,000	3,500	3,000		39,500	
Hope, St. Mark's	350	1,000		350		1,700	
Hot Springs, St. Luke's	10,000	17,000		5,800		32,800	1,400
Little Rock, Christ Church	14,500	60,000	6,000	1,000		81,500	
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.	6,000	10,000	2,000			18,000	
Mammoth Sp'g, St. Andrew's	300	1,500	700			2,500	
Marianna, St. Andrew's	500	2,500	2,000			5,000	500
Morrilton, St. Agnes's	500	1,000	480	20		2,010	
Nashville, Red-emer	100	900				1,000	
Newport, St. Paul's	800	500	1,500			2,800	
Pine Bluff, Trinity	5,000	17,500	3,000	800		26,300	
Van Buren, Trinity	1,775	2,000	2,500			6,275	
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.							
Arkansas City, St. Clement's	200	1,000		300		1,500	
Brinkley, St. Luke's	250	1,000		120		1,370	54
Jonesboro, St. Mark's	400	1,000				1,400	
Little Rock, St. Philip's	1,500	1,000	500			3,000	
Prescott, St. James's	300	700				1,000	
Rocky Comfort, St. Mary's				75		75	
Searcy, Trinity	200	750		450		1,400	
Siloam Springs, Grace				20		20	
Washington, Grace		300	150	110		560	
STATIONS.							
Booneville	200					200	
Clarendon, Christ				112		112	
Conway, St. Peter's	300	1,000				1,300	
Dardanelle, St. Paul's	200	500	50			750	
Lake Village, Immanuel	200	1,000				1,200	
Lonoke, St. Mark's	100					100	
Medford, St. Mary's	100	1,000				1,100	2
Mena, Christ	200	1,075				1,275	
Monticello, St. Mary's	500	500	200			1,200	
Paragould	200					200	
Pocahontas, Ascension				130		130	
Winslow, St. Stephen's	100	400				500	
All Others	100					100	
Total	\$56,325	\$185,425	\$30,190	\$12,487	\$708	\$285,135	\$3,608



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**The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of
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The Society asks for stated offerings as follows, and on the dates given when possible :

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FOREIGN MISSIONS, the second Sunday after the Epiphany.

MISSIONS TO COLORED PEOPLE, the third Sunday after the Epiphany.

MISSIONS TO INDIANS, the fourth Sunday after Easter.

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Assistant Treasurer and Financial Agent,

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Notice.

The Thirtieth Annual Council will convene (D. V.) on the second Wednesday in May (14th), 1902, at St. John's Church, Helena.

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**Recommended by the Council and the Dates
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Trinity Sunday.**

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Day.**

**AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY, and WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
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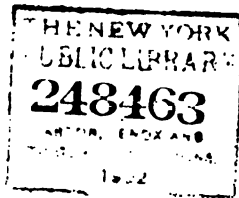
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DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS,

HELD IN
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HELENA,
May 14, 15 and 16, A. D. 1902.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED

Parochial and Diocesan Reports,
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Priests.

Rev. James J. Vaulx, B. D., Fayetteville 1876
 Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood, B. D., Helena 1888
 Rev. Daniel B. Ramsey, B. D., Camden 1892
 Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Little Rock 1896
 Rev. W. D. Buckner, Pine Bluff 1898
 Rev. J. B. Whaling, Van Buren 1899
 Rev. R. W. Rhames, M. A., Batesville 1899
 Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., Little Rock 1899
 Rev. J. Percy Robottom, M. A., Little Rock 1900
 Rev. A. A. Robertson, M. A., Fort Smith 1900
 Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D., Searcy 1900
 Rev. Gasnerie DeWitt Dowling, M. A., Hot Springs 1901
 Rev. L. R. F. Davis, Eureka Springs 1901
 Rev. Jos. J. Cornish, Forrest City 1901
 Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D.

Nonparochial Clergy.

Rev. David L. Trimble, Pine Bluff 1883
 Rev. Richard S. James, D. D., LL. D., Eureka Springs 1883
 Rev. W. G. Flowers 1893
 Rev. Isalah P. Daniels 1894
 Rev. William Cross 1897

Missionaries.

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 Rev. E. J. Hall (non-resident), Winslow 1893
 Rev. R. W. Rhames, M. A., Batesville 1899
 Rev. J. B. Whaling, Van Buren 1899
 Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D., Searcy 1900
 Rev. Jos. J. Cornish, M. A., Forrest City 1900
 Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D., Monticello 1901
 Rev. L. R. F. Davis, Eureka Springs 1901

Lay Missionaries.

Mr. S. R. McAlpin, Hope.....	1900
Mr. J. C. France, Jonesboro.....	1901
Mr. Augustus M. Treschow, Mena.....	1901
Mr. George D. Arnold, Booneville....	1901
Mr. A. C. Witt, Conway.....	1902
Mr. Newton Hockinsmith, Little Rock.....	1902

Candidates for Holy Orders.

Sylvester Reed McAlpin.....	May 13, 1901
John Cyril France....	May 16, 1902
Augustus Michael Treschow, M. A.....	May 16, 1902
Newton Hockinsmith, M. A.....	May 16, 1902

Postulants.

Walter Barwick LeRoy Bruce.....	January 1, 1901
George Drake Arnold.....	December 23, 1901
A. C. Witt	October 1, 1901

LICENSED LAY READERS.

St. Paul's, Batesville, J. Conway Fitzhugh.
St. John's, Camden, P. Lynch Lee.
St. James's, Eureka Springs, C. F. Ellis, M. D.
St. John's, Fort Smith, Wm. Armistead Falconer, Edward F. Furner.
St. John's, Helena, Nathan French Bruce.
St. Mark's, Hope, Samuel A. Knighton.
Christ Church, Little Rock, Richard H. Parham, Wm. Phillip Williams.
St. Andrew's, Marianna, Dudley Sanders Clark.
Trinity, Pine Bluff, Horatio Riley.
St. Mark's, Hope, Sylvester Reed McAlpin.
Grace, Washington, Wm. S. Eakin.
Church of Redeemer, Nashville, W. C. Rodgers.
Paragould, W. M. Greene.
St. John's, Harrison, J. P. Clendennin.
Good Shepherd, Forrest City, James Gillam.
St. John's, Wynne, Bruce Mulkey.
St. Luke's, Hot Springs, R. B. Bancroft.

PAROCHIAL CHRONOLOGY AND PROPERTY.*

(Primary Convention of Diocese August 24, 1871.)

Arkansas City—Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 Batesville—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1901.
 Booneville—Organized 1900; Chapel 1901.
 Brinkley—St. Luke's, Organized ; Chapel .
 Camden—St. John's, Organized March 5, 1950; Church 1853; Rectory 1882; New Church 1897.
 Conway - Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 Dardanelle—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.
 Eureka Springs—St. James's, Organized 1883; Church .
 Fayetteville—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; New Church 1883; Rectory 1887.
 Foreman—St. Barnabas's, Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 Forrest City—Good Shepherd, Organized ; Church 1893; Rectory 1900.
 Fort Smith—St. John's, Organized 1847; Church 1858; Rectory 1885; Present Church 1898.
 Helena—St. John's, Organized November 29, 1853; Church ; Rectory 1889; Present Church 1898.
 Hope—St. Mark's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1902.
 Hot Springs—St. Luke's, Organized ; Church .
 Imboden - Organized ; Lot.
 Jonesboro—St. Mark's, Organized 1895; Chapel 1900; Rectory 1902.
 Lake Village—Immanuel, Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 Little Rock—Christ Church, Organized 1839; Present Church 1884-7; Rectory 1874.
 Trinity, Organized 1873; Cathedral 1884; Deanery .
 St. Philip's, Organized 1887; Church 1888; Rectory .
 St. Paul's, Organized .
 Lonoke—St. Mark's, Organized .
 Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's, organized 1888; Church and Rectory 1889; Parish 1890.
 Marianna—St. Andrew's, Organized January 18, 1879, Church 1884; Rectory 1897.
 Mena—Christ, Organized 1900; Chapel 1900; Rectory 1901.
 Monticello—St. Mary's, Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 Morrilton—St. Agnes's, Organized 1888; Church ; Rectory .
 Nashville—Redeemer, Organized ; Church .
 Newport—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church 1882; Rectory 1900.
 Paragould—Organized ; Lot.
 Pine Bluff—Trinity, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.
 Prescott—St. James's, Organized ; Church .
 Searcy—Trinity, Organized ; Chapel 1900.
 Van Buren—Trinity, Organized ; Church 1887; Rectory 1900.
 Washington—Grace, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.
 Winslow--St. Stephen's, Organized ; Chapel .

*The Secretary will thank the Rector or Parish Officers to furnish data by which the blanks in this list may be correctly filled before publication of the next Journal.

ROLL OF PARISHES, ORGANIZED MISSIONS AND DELEGATES.

(Those marked with stars were present at the Council.)

LITTLE ROCK—TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Delegates.	Alternates.
P. K. Roots.*	
Clement H. Yost.	
E. Herman Tobey.*	

BATESVILLE—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
H. S. Coleman.*	
John Warner.	
J. W. Ferrill.	

CAMDEN—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Joseph A. Reeves.	
Edward A. Schicker.	
P. Lynch Lee.	

EUREKA SPRINGS—ST. JAMES'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
C. F. Ellis, M. D.	
F. E. Patrick.	
J. C. Cunningham.	

FAYETTEVILLE—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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FORREST CITY—GOOD SHEPHERD.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John Gatling.*	

FORT SMITH—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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HELENA—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
P. O. Thweatt.*	Greenfield Quarles.
J. C. Tappan.*	C. C. Agee.*
S. S. Faulkner.*	J. B. Pillow.*

HOPE—ST. MARK'S.

Delegates.

Alternates.

HOT SPRINGS—ST. LUKE'S.

Delegates.

Alternates.

Geo. Gray Latta.

Edward M. Penick.

James P. Mellard.

Harry R. Vaughan.

Morris C. Tombler.

Edward Scott Weaver.

LITTLE ROCK—CHRIST CHURCH.

Delegates.

Alternates.

H. C. Rather.

John W. Goodwin.

R. W. Polk.*

Geo. H. Lee.

D. H. Cantrell.*

R. R. Peay.

MAMMOTH SPRING—ST. ANDREW'S.

Delegates.

Alternates.

MARIANNA—ST. ANDREW'S.

Delegates.

Alternates.

John M. Daggett.*

Francis H. Govan.

Joseph F. Rankin.

Wm. A. Compton.

Dudley S. Clark.

F. Noel Burke.

MORRILTON—ST. AGNES'S.

Delegates.

Alternates.

NASHVILLE—REDEEMER.

Delegates.

Alternates.

NEWPORT—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.

Alternates.

Gustave Jones.

L. Minor.

Wm. Magoffin.

T. D. Kinman, Jr.

Thos. J. Gregg.

H. Ridley.

PINE BLUFF—TRINITY.

Delegates.

Alternates.

Nichols B. Trulock.*

J. Hervey Mann.

Robert E. Lee.*

Geo. E. Valliant.

Horatio Riley.*

Edwin R. Willeford.

VAN BUREN—TRINITY.

Delegates.

Alternates.

Sidney A. Pernot.

George Miller.

Frank Kerr.

Henry C. Faber.

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Arkansas City—Delegate.
Brinkley—Delegate.
Jonesboro—Delegate.
Little Rock, St. Philip's—Delegate.
Prescott—Delegate.
Searcy—Delegate, John T. Hicks.* Alternate, Thos. B. Paschal.
Siloam Springs—Delegate.
Washington—Delegate.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baring Cross, St. Barnabas.	Lonoke, St. Mark's.
Booneville.	Medford, St. Mary's.
Clarendon, Christ.	Mena, Christ.
Conway, St. Peter's.	Monticello, St. Mary's.
Dardanelle, St. Paul's.	Osceola, Calvary.
Des Arc, St. James's.	Paragould.
Devall's Bluff, All Saints.	Pocahontas, Ascension.
Dumas, Grace.	Rogers.
El Dorado.	Winslow, St. Stephen's.
Foreman, St. Barnabas.	Wynne, St. John's.
Lake Village, Immanuel.	

DIOCESAN OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

President—Mrs J. B. Pillow, Helena.
Vice President, Eastern Arkansas—Mrs. John Ferrill, Batesville.
Vice President, Western Arkansas—Mrs. Logan H. Roots, 923 Scott Street, Little Rock.
Secretary—Mrs. George H. Lee, 710 West Third Street, Little Rock.
Treasurer—Mrs. P. K. Roots, 1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF AUXILIARY.

Directress—Miss Martha Valliant, 720 Main Street, Pine Bluff.
Secretary—Miss Jessie Adams, 2403 Louisiana Street, Little Rock.
Treasurer—Mrs. J. Secord, Hot Springs.

OFFICERS OF LOCAL BRANCHES.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, members thirty-five.

President—Mrs. Helen M. Norton.

Secretary—Mrs. Beauregard Morrison, 2403 Louisiana Street.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. H. Kennedy, 1012 Louisiana Street.

Christ Church, Little Rock, members forty.

President—Mrs. Augusta Van Etten, 303 East Eighth Street.

Vice President—Mrs. G. W. Sappington, Sixteenth and Center Streets.

Secretary—Mrs. George H. Lee, 710 West Third Street.

Treasurer—Mrs. Matilda Jordan, 223 East Seventh Street.

St. John's Church, Helena, members twenty-nine.

President—Mrs. J. C. Rembert.

Vice President—Mrs. C. C. Agee.

Secretary—Mrs. S. S. Faulkner.

Treasurer—Mrs. W. H. Stone.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, members eighteen.

President—Mrs. G. DeWitt Dowling, 608 Park Avenue.

Vice President—Mrs. G. G. Latta.

Secretary—Mrs. William Sumpter, 60 Exchange Street.

Treasurer—Mrs. Fred Williams, 402 Park Avenue.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, members thirty.

President—Mrs. William Magoffin.

Secretary—Mrs. Charles H. Wilmans.

Treasurer—Mrs. T. D. Kinman, Jr.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, members twenty-one.

President—Mrs. Ellen Bell, West Barraque Street.

Vice President—Mrs. V. A. Jones, 1015 West Third Street.

Secretary—Miss Julia Pendleton, 208 Georgia Street.

Treasurer—Mrs. Valliant, Main Street.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, members ten.

President—Mrs. John Gatling.

Secretary—Mrs. Will Evans.

Treasurer—Mrs. Will Evans.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, members seventeen.

President—Mrs. J. W. Ferrill.

Vice President—Mrs. S. A. Hail.

Secretary—Mrs. J. G. Reed.

Treasurer—Mrs. H. L. Miniken.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, members eleven.

President—Mrs. J. J. Vaulx.
Secretary—Mrs. Thomas Shore.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Sue Walker.
Treasurer—Mrs. G. A. Blanchard.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, members twenty-nine.

President—Mrs. P. D. Scott.
Secretary—Miss Clara B. Eno.
Treasurer—Miss Clara B. Eno.

Immanuel Church, Lake Village, members fifteen.

President—Mrs. D. H. Reynolds.
Secretary—Miss Alice K. Craig.
Treasurer—

St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, members twelve.

President—Mrs. W. A. Compton.
Secretary—Mrs. E. D. Ragland.
Treasurer—Mrs. E. D. Ragland.

St. John's Church, Camden, members

President—Mrs. A. A. Tufts.
Secretary—Miss Jennie Anderson.
Treasurer—Miss Jennie Anderson.

OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL BRANCHES OF THE JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Trinity Cathedral, Junior Branch, Little Rock.

President—Miss Jessie Adams.
Secretary and Treasurer—Miss Estelle Calloway.

Christ Church, Junior Branch, Little Rock.

President and Treasurer—Miss Bessie Goodwin.
Vice President and Secretary—Miss Rosa Miller.

Trinity Church, Junior Branch, Pine Bluff.

President—Miss Martha Valliant.
Vice President—Miss Adele Hunn.
Secretary—Miss Pauline Scull.
Treasurer—Miss Mamie Eagle White.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Thirtieth Annual Council of the Diocese convened at St. John's Church, Helena, May 14, 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., and was opened by a celebration of the Holy Communion, the Bishop being celebrant. Rev. Joseph J. Cornish, of Forrest City and Marianna, read the epistle, and Rev. W. D. Buckner, of Pine Bluff, the gospel, and Rev. A. A. Robertson, of Fort Smith, preached the sermon from St. John xiii, 34: "The new commandment."

After the services the Council was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary called the Roll of Clergy, and the following were found present, to-wit:

(See Clergy list, page 7.)

The Bishop appointed as a Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates, Revs. George B. Norton, D. D., Joseph J. Cornish and Charles H. Lockwood.

The committee reported as follows:

(See list, pages 10, 11 and 12.)

Mr. John M. Daggett was unanimously re-elected Secretary and the Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom Assistant Secretary (on nomination of the Secretary), and the Council was declared duly organized.

The Bishop appointed the Standing Committees of the Council as follows:

Ways and Means—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Mr. P. K. Roots, Mr. Horatio Riley.

Auditing and Finance—Mr. John T. Hicks, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. Horatio Riley.

Admission of New Parishes—Rev. R. W. Rhames, Mr. Jos. A. Reeves, Mr. W. C. Rodgers.

State of the Church—Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rev. W. D. Williams, Mr. P. K. Roots, Mr. N. B. Trulock.

Unfinished Business—Mr. John M. Daggett, Mr. D. H. Cantrell.

Constitutions and Canons—Chancellor W. G. Whipple, Rev. J. B. Whaling, Ven. W. D. Williams, Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling, Mr. H. S. Coleman, Mr. D. H. Cantrell, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. Gustave Jones, Mr. John T. Hicks.

Episcopal Residence—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Mr. W. G. Whipple, Mr. H. C. Rather, Mr. H. K. Cochran.

After prayers for Missions said at midday by the Rev. James J. Vault, of Fayetteville, the Council took a recess till 4 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council was called to order by the Bishop.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood welcomed the Clergy and Lay Delegates to hospitalities of the City and Parish, and the Dean of Trinity Cathedral. Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, most heartily responded on behalf of the Council.

The Bishop read his annual address.

(See Appendix I.)

The recommendations of the Bishop, which were made in his address, were in the form of resolutions, and by vote of the Council were referred to the following Committees:

In the matters of "Clergy Relief," "Unemployed Clergy," "Missions to the Colored People," "Episcopal Residence Debt," "Board of Diocesan Trustees," "Treasurers' Bonds," "Diocesan School" and "Convocations," were referred to the Committee on Canons.

"The Apportionment Plan" was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The resolution to appoint a Special Committee of two from Little Rock to audit the accounts of the Bishop of the moneys collected by him and received from friends in the North and East, with instructions to the committee to file

their report with the Secretary in time for publication in the Journal, was adopted, and the Bishop appointed R. W. Polk and E. H. Tobey as that committee.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood, the sessions of the Council were fixed as follows: From 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.

On motion of the Secretary the Order of Business was suspended, and it was voted that the Council convene as a Board of Missions to-night at 8 o'clock, to comply with the programme as arranged by the Bishop.

On motion the Secretary was ordered to send fraternal greetings to the Diocesan Convention of Tennessee now in session at Jackson.

The Council took a recess till 8 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The Council convened as a Board of Missions, the Bishop and Clergy entering the chancel with Hymn 263 as a processional. After a shortened form of evening prayer, said by Rev. L. R. F. Davis, Hymn 249 was sung.

Mr. Nichols B. Trulock read his report as Secretary of the Board of Managers.

(See Appendix II.)

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D., read the report of the Committee on the State of the Church.

(See Appendix III.)

The report of Mr. H. C. Rather, Treasurer of the Board of Managers, was read.

(See Appendix IV.)

Hymn 253 was sung.

Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., read his report as Arch-deacon.

(See Appendix V.)

The Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D., read an address on "Reasons for Hope in a Missionary Field," specially illustrated from his experiences in "the Nile Valley of Arkansas," 5,000 square miles in the southeast corner of the Diocese.

(See Appendix VI.)

The Council then adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Council convened pursuant to adjournment, and after morning prayer said by Rev. George B. Norton, D. D., was called to order by the Bishop.

The journal of yesterday was read, and after verbal amendments, was approved.

On motion of Rev. W. D. Buckner, the Rev. L. R. F. Davis and the Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D., resident priests not yet canonically connected with the Diocese, were invited to seats in the Council.

The Committee on Constitutions and Canons made a partial report, which was read in full, and then on motion of Archdeacon Williams, was taken up *seriatim*.

1. The first resolution, on the subject of "Unemployed Clergy" of the Diocese, was, after discussion, recommitted.

2. That the following be enacted as additional Canons, to be numbered as follows:

Section 54 a. That the colored work of this Diocese be organized into a Convocation, in which every canonically resident and employed colored minister shall have a seat, and every duly organized Parish and Mission Station of colored people shall be entitled to representation by three laymen, the Bishop or his duly appointed representative to be ex-officio chairman of the Convocation. All constitutional and canonical measures adopted by such Convocation, in order to become effectual, shall first be presented to and ratified and confirmed by the Diocesan Council.

Section 54 b. No colored priest or deacon shall be entitled to a seat in the Council of this Diocese, and no colored congregation shall be entitled to representation in it. Provided, That this exclusion shall not apply to the case of any colored rector, or Parish, that has heretofore been admitted to the Diocesan Council.

The motion to adopt the foregoing Canons not being unanimous (there being two votes in the negative) the same were laid over till the next Council for final action.

(Rev. Mr. Rix, Pastor of the M. E. Church, was introduced by Rev. C. H. Lockwood, and the courtesies of the Council extended to him.)

3. Amend section 50 as follows: Strike out the words "And have charge of the Missionary work in the field assigned by the Bishop," and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"And shall act as an advisory body to the Bishop and the Archdeacon in the administration of the Missionary work in the field assigned by the Bishop."

Amend section 51 by striking out the first paragraph of said section and in lieu thereof inserting the following :

"The Bishop shall appoint one of the Clergy in each District as Canon of Convocation, but in all Missionary work the Bishop shall be ex-officio president of each Convocation; and, in his absence, and by his appointment, the Archdeacon shall ex-officio preside at the meetings of the several Convocations. The Archdeacon shall, under direction of the Bishop, be chairman of the Executive Committee of each Convocation. The Canons of Convocations shall be ex-officio members of the Cathedral Chapter, with the privilege of attendance upon meetings of the Chapter, though without vote."

Amend section 54 by changing "Dean" to "Canon."

The amendments were unanimously adopted, and being so adopted the Canons were declared duly and constitutionally so amended.

4. In the matter of "Clergy Relief" the committee offered the following:

Resolved, That the Trustee of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen be authorized and directed to communicate and negotiate with the Trustees of the General Clergy Relief Fund, and by and with the consent of the Bishop and Standing Committee, make such disposition of the fund in his hands by arrangements with the said Trustees as will be to the best advantage of the beneficiaries, with power to said Trustee to act.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

5. That the following be enacted as a Canon to be known as Canon XIII a. Education:

The Committee on Education provided for at the last meeting of the Council shall consist of nine, four Clergymen and five Laymen, one of which Clergymen shall be appointed annually by the Bishop, all other members to be elected annually by the Council. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Education to secure funds for educational purposes; which funds shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Diocese, and reported by him in his annual report. The Bishop shall be ex-officio chairman of the committee.

The motion to adopt was carried unanimously, and being so carried, the Canon was declared duly and constitutionally enacted.

6. Your committee having carefully considered the subject of securing bonds for Trustees in surety companies, recommend that owing to the expense involved in procuring said bonds, the matter be laid over for further investigation.

The recommendation of the committee was unanimously adopted.

7. Your committee, after giving the matter considerable thought, are of the opinion that the consolidation of the several Trustees in an incorporated Board of Trustees, and the transfer of the various trust funds to said corporation, involves such a change in the policy heretofore pursued very successfully that we advise further consideration before final action.

The recommendation was unanimously adopted.

Dean Robottom submitted the following resolution, seconded by Mr. E. H. Tobey, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Bishop be and is hereby requested, until the next meeting of the Council, to inaugurate and develop such Missionary work amongst the colored people included in the Diocese of Arkansas, as shall commend itself to his judgment, provided that such inauguration and development shall not conflict with the Missionary Canons of the Diocese.

S. S. Faulkner, Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, read his report, which, with the vouchers, was referred to the Auditing Committee.

(See Appendix VII.)

On recommendation of the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund the thanks of the Council were voted to Mr. J. B. Trulock for care of the Pine Bluff property; and on motion the thanks of the Council were voted to the Trustee for the efficient manner in which he had executed his trust.

On motion it was voted that at the expiration of the morning session the Council take a recess until 4 o'clock p. m.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese submitted its report, which was approved, as follows:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

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On motion, the Standing Committee gave its consent to the purchase of the Whittemore property on the northwest corner of Thirteenth and Scott Streets, Little Rock, for the Episcopal Residence on the terms proposed, provided the Purchasing Committee decided the purchase desirable and best for the Diocese.

July 9, 1901—Committee met in Little Rock. Consent was given to the consecration of the Ven. Frederick William Taylor, D. D., to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Quincy, State of Illinois, and concurrence in the election of the Rt. Rev. Cook Edsall, D. D., Missionary Bishop of North Dakota, to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Minnesota. Bond of Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Trustee of the Episcopate, received and approved.

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On motion of Mr. H. S. Coleman, the Standing Committee of the Diocese was directed to submit a further report showing the dates, amounts and names of sureties, and dates of approval of bonds of trustees of the various funds.

The Standing Committee through its chairman made a verbal report, that usually the bonds were entered in full on the minutes of the committee, but that last year the fact of approval only was entered and the bond delivered to the Registrar of the Diocese, which bond was in the penal sum of \$20,000.

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The following communication from the Secretary of the General Convention, was ordered printed in the Journal:

To the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Arkansas:

In compliance with the requirements of Title III, Canon I, section 3, of the Digest, I would hereby give particular notice that the following alterations of the Constitutions of the Church are proposed: to-wit, those comprised in the resolutions printed herewith, said resolutions having been constitutionally adopted by a General Convention held in the City of San Francisco, in October, A. D. 1901.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

Concord, Mass., March 1, A. D. 1902.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution, as follows:

Amend Article I, Section 2, of the Constitution, by striking out the word "and" at the end of the second line and inserting in place thereof the word "or," and also by striking out the words "arising therefrom" in the third line, so that the section shall read as follows:

Section 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop, who by reason of advanced age or bodily infirmity has resigned his jurisdiction, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and of Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution, as follows:

Substitute for Article I, Section 3, of the Constitution, as finally agreed to and ratified at this Convention, the following:

Section 3. The House of Bishops, by vote of a majority of all the Bishops entitled to a seat in the said House, shall elect one of the Bishops having jurisdiction within the United States to be nominated for confirmation by the House of Deputies to be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. The Presiding Bishop shall hold office for three years. He shall discharge such duties as may be



prescribed by the Constitution and the Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his Episcopal Jurisdiction, or if in the judgment of the House, he shall become disabled by reason of infirmity, or if for any other reason a vacancy in the office shall occur, the senior Bishop by consecration having jurisdiction within the United States shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop until the House of Bishops shall elect an acting Presiding Bishop, who shall hold office until the next meeting of the General Convention, at which the Presiding Bishop shall be elected.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution, as follows:

That Article I of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following as Section 6, and changing the number of the present Section 6 to Section 7.

Section 6. One Clerical and one Lay Deputy chosen by each Missionary District of the Church within the boundaries of the United States shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote when the vote shall be taken by orders.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the first sentence of Article II, Section 1, after the words "Convention of the Diocese" the words:

Provided, however, that when a Diocese shall be formed out of a Missionary District, the Missionary Bishop in charge of said District shall become the Bishop of said Diocese, if he shall so elect.

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article V of the Constitution and insert the following as Article V of the Constitution, viz:

ARTICLE V.

Section 1. A new Diocese may be formed, with the consent of the General Convention and under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by general Canon or Canons, (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese:

(3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses; or (4) by the junction of the whole or part of the Missionary District with a Diocese, or with any part of one or more Dioceses. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the Missionary District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Bishop, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. In case the Episcopate of a Diocese be vacant, no proceedings toward its division shall be taken until the vacancy is filled. During a vacancy in a Missionary District, the consent of the Presiding Bishop must be had before proceedings to erect it into a Diocese are taken. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of proceedings and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the formation of the new Diocese have been complied with and that it has acceded to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, such new Diocese shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention.

Section 2. In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and (if it be not the one elected by the Bishop) he shall be the Bishop thereof.

Section 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled, in order of seniority of consecration, to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

Section 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. Whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Section 5. A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which such Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Section 6. No new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain fewer than six Parishes, or fewer than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain fewer than twelve Parishes and twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above provided.

Section 7. The consent of the General Convention to the erection of a new Diocese should not be given until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate.

Resolved. That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to Article X of the Constitution the following:

And *provided further*, that nothing in this article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

Mr. John M. Daggett submitted the following preamble and resolution, which was seconded by Rev. C. H. Lockwood and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means:

Whereas, The Bishop has practically pledged that the Diocese shall raise annually for Diocesan Missions \$1,000, and

Whereas, Under the plan inaugurated at the last General Convention, the apportionment of this Diocese is \$1,500, making a total of \$2,500 which is expected from this Diocese annually for the cause of Missions, therefore be it

Resolved. That the Committee on Ways and Means apportion the sum of \$2,500 among the several Parishes and Missions, as a minimum amount to be raised for Missions, to be collected in such manner as each Parish or Mission may determine, and paid quarterly to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions, who shall retain 40 per cent of the amounts so paid for the work in this Diocese, and remit quarterly the remaining 60 per cent to the Treasurer of the General Board at New York.

Mr. P. K. Roots submitted his reports as Diocesan Treasurer and Treasurer of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, which, with vouchers, were referred to the Auditing Committee.

(See Appendix VIII.)

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade submitted the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be and he is hereby instructed to pay out of the General Fund in his hands not otherwise appropriated, the insurance premiums, and all taxes local and general, lawfully assessed against the Episcopal Residence in the city of Little Rock.

After prayers for Missions said by the Rev. C. H. Lockwood, the Council took a recess till 4 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

In the absence of the Bishop the Council was called to order by Archdeacon W. D. Williams, who was duly elected temporary President, and the Council was opened with prayer by the Archdeacon.

The Secretary read the report of the Registrar, which was approved, as follows:

To the Diocesan Council of Arkansas:

Brethren—As Registrar of the Diocese I have to report that nothing has transpired in my office worthy of note since the last session of this Council.

In my report to the last Council I suggested that if the Clergy of the respective Parishes and Missions of the Diocese would prepare short sketches of their respective Parishes or Missions, of an historical nature, showing when organized, the various Priests who have officiated therein, and like matters, that it would be of service to those who come after us in endeavoring to ascertain something of the history of the respective Parishes. I regret to say that no one has sent me any such matter for recordation; but out of my own knowledge of the course of events in Christ Church Parish, Trinity Parish, and St. Paul's Mission, Little Rock, I have made the several entries relating to them, so that the record of these

places stands fairly complete to the present time. I hereby renew my suggestion in this report, and hope that the venerable brethren of the Clergy will see fit during the coming year to furnish the materials for the entries regarding the other Parishes of the Diocese.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

FAY HEMPSTEAD,

Little Rock, Ark., May 12, 1902.

Registrar.

The Secretary read the following telegram in response to greeting sent yesterday:

"Jackson, Tenn., May 15, 1902.

"John M. Daggett, Secretary, Helena, Ark.:

"Convention of Diocese of Tennessee reciprocates. Romans
xvi, 24.

ARTHUR HOWARD NOLL,

Secretary.

The response was made part of the Journal.

On motion the Council was resolved into a Board of Missions as required by the Canons.

The reports of Board of Managers, Treasurer, and Archdeacon, having been made at a previous session, the only unfinished business was election of a Board of Managers.

The election of the old Board was unanimous, as follows:

Rev. Charles H. Lockwood.

Mr. H. C. Rather.

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

Mr. John Gatling.

Rev. W. D. Buckner.

The Board of Missions was dissolved and the Council resumed its session.

The Bishop appeared and took the chair.

The Council, on motion, proceeded to the election of Standing Committees.

Rev. L. R. F. Davis and Mr. E. H. Tobey were appointed tellers, and after nominations the ballots were cast, and during the counting of the ballots the Council proceeded with other business.

Mr. John T. Hicks submitted the following preamble and resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of this Council that certain benevolent persons have manifested a desire to make voluntary donations, legacies and devises for sundry purposes for the benefit of the Diocese of Arkansas, and

Whereas, It is deemed expedient to offer to such persons assurances of the greatest protection possible in the premises, now therefore,

Resolved, That this Council hereby designates the Union Trust Company of New York, the Girard Trust Company of Philadelphia, the Old Colony Trust Company of Boston, and the St. Louis Trust Company of St Louis, as fiduciaries acceptable to this Council, to receive, invest and administer any property that may be donated to this Diocese, by will or otherwise, for any purpose, general or special, and invite such contributions as may suggest themselves to our benefactors for such purposes as they themselves may desire.

Committee on Constitution and Canons submitted their report on the matter of "Unemployed Clergy," recommitted to them at the morning session. Rev. J. J. Vaulx offered a substitute, which was afterwards withdrawn, and a vote was taken on the report of the committee, which report was as follows:

Canon 1. Section 1. Strike out the following words: "Every Clergyman having been admitted canonically by the Ecclesiastical Authority shall be a member of the Council, but no Clergyman shall be qualified to vote at the election of a Bishop unless he shall have been canonically and actually a resident of the Diocese for six months," and insert in lieu thereof the following, to-wit:

"Every Clergyman canonically and personally resident in the Diocese for six months immediately preceding the meeting of the Council, and actually engaged for the same time in Church work, with the previous written sanction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Council.

Provided, That no Clergyman once entitled to a seat shall be deprived of it through disability by reason of age, sickness or infirmity."

The vote on motion to adopt being unanimous, the Canon was declared duly and constitutionally amended accordingly.

The election of Standing Committee as reported by the tellers resulted as follows:

Rev. Charles H. Lockwood.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
Rev. Walter D. Buckner.	Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.
Rev. J. Percy Robottom.	

The Council proceeded to election of Deputies to the General Convention, which resulted unanimously as follows:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. Charles H. Lockwood, B. D.	Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Mr. John H. Rodgers.
Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D.	Mr. John T. Hicks.

SUBSTITUTES IN THE ORDER OF THEIR ELECTION.

Clerical.	Lay.
Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom.	Mr. John M. Daggett.
Rev. A. A. Robertson.	Mr. N. B. Trulock.
Ven. R. W. Rhames, B. D.	Mr. Morris C. Tombler.
Rev. George B. Norton, D. D.	Mr. H. C. Rather.

The Council adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Friday, May 16, 1902.

Council met pursuant to adjournment, and after prayer by Rev. James J. Vaulx, was called to order by the Bishop.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report, which was approved:

Helena, Ark., May 16, 1902.

To the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

We, your Examining and Auditing Committee, have to report that we have examined and checked the accounts of the Treasurer and of the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, and have found the same correct.

JOHN T. HICKS.
JOHN GATLING,
HORATIO RILEY.

Committee.

The Auditing Committee appointed to audit the Bishop's Books, submitted the following report:

Your committee appointed at the last Council to audit the Bishop's Books, beg to report that owing to untoward circumstances it was unable to perform the duty in sufficient time for its report to be printed in this Journal, and same will therefore be deferred until the next Council.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. POLK,
E. HERMAN TOBEY,
Committee.

The Committee on Finance submitted the following report:

Helena, Ark., May 16, 1902.

To the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

Your Finance Committee report that the income from the Permanent Episcopate Fund for the conciliar year 1901-02, as shown by the report of the Trustee, is \$1,741.68.

It is reasonable to expect a net increase for the ensuing year of \$2,000. We find also that by resolution of this body, adopted June 17, 1878, it was provided that "when the accumulation of said fund will so warrant, it is made the duty of said Trustee, acting under the supervision of the Bishop and Standing Committee, to first provide a permanent residence for the Bishop out of said fund." (Pro. 1878, p. 15.)

One of the notes given for purchase price of the Episcopal residence, together with the interest on the entire unpaid balance of purchase money, amounting in the aggregate to about \$1,700, will mature May 16, 1902, this day. There appears to be no other funds on hand with which to meet this payment.

We therefore recommend that the Trustee be instructed to apply the income arising from the Episcopate Fund for the year 1901-02 so far as may be necessary to the payment of the said debt at maturity.

JOHN T. HICKS,
JOHN GATLING,
HORATIO RILEY,
Committee.

On motion of Mr. H. S. Coleman, seconded by Mr. S. S. Faulkner, the recommendations were unanimously approved.



The following resolution, offered by Mr. John T. Hicks and seconded by Mr. S. S. Faulkner, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the proposition of the Bishop of this Diocese as set forth in his annual address, namely: That in consideration that the Diocese will undertake the payment of \$2,000, the principal debt against the Episcopal residence, and all interest that may accrue on the entire debt to May 18, 1903, he will provide for the payment of an additional \$1,000 of said debt, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Resolved, That the income arising from the Permanent Episcopate Fund to May 1, 1903, be and the same is hereby appropriated to the payment of the amount assumed by the Diocese as set forth in this resolution, and that the balance, if any, be raised by voluntary subscription within the Diocese.

Committee on Education submitted the following report and two appended resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

To the Thirtieth Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

The following report on Education is respectfully submitted by your committee established at the last Annual Council, according to resolution recorded on page 19, Journal 1901.

Immediately after the close of the Council, your committee canvassed the situation to ascertain what might be done toward establishing a Diocesan school for girls. A circular letter was issued and contributions solicited on the basis of locating the school in Little Rock. Pledges to the amount of \$432.50 were secured in about one month, but while we were very grateful for the promises made, and although we felt sure that other pledges could be obtained, yet it was evident that the sum total would be inadequate for the inauguration of the proposed school. The opening of the school was therefore indefinitely postponed.

On the important subject intrusted to us your committee desire to say a word on the state of education in Arkansas and on Church education in general.

We find the educational work in this State groups itself under four heads. (1). The Public School system, providing for both white and colored schools and including the State University with its several professional departments. (2). The Denominational Colleges with their local branches. Under this head there are eight well established institutions. Two for the Methodist Church, South; two for the Baptist Church; two for the Presbyterian

Church, and two for the Roman Catholic Church. (3). Private schools of an academic character. There is said to be about fifty of these schools in the State. (4). The Business Colleges, etc.

This shows that there is already organized in this State vast educational systems which must have a strong influence on the secular and religious life of the people. Is it not pertinent to ask what part has this Church in this great movement and how is her work in this State affected by this great organization of influence which is indifferent if not openly opposed to the doctrine, discipline, worship and history of this Church?

On examination and from personal observation your committee is also convinced that the general standard of the Arkansas schools is not high enough to satisfy the best patronage of the State. But we also note that a large number of those who seek the best education by going outside of the state show a preference for Church institutions.

In connection we wish to emphasize the idea of Church education in general. We believe that the social and political life of our nation needs a solid, dogmatic, religious basis. The Church should strive to maintain a vital connection between ethics and the Catholic Christianity of the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments. Suffer a few authorities for this proposition: Rev. Wm. Lewell, a great English scholar, in a treatise on "Christian Morals," argues that without the Church man has no right to educate his fellows—that education without the Church is, indeed, an absurdity. He says: "The education of man is beyond the reach of man. He knows nothing and can know nothing of the secret fluctuations of the mind, and without knowing these, how can he control or turn them aright."

The late Bishop Wilberforce, in a sermon on the "Insufficiency of Bare Intellectual Enlightenment," says: "It is by the upgrowth amongst us of multitudes whom God's truth has never reached that our social security is threatened. Man without God's restraining grace, and the light of Christ's truth, is and soon will show himself to be fiercer, craftier and more selfish than the beasts of the wilderness. Amongst such how is society possible? Our hope as a nation is in our Christianity, in an earnest definite faith in the words, work, grace, cross and person of Jesus Christ." And in another place he says: "The Church only, therefore, can truly raise the tone of society, and that not because her system is better than other human systems, but because it is God's system and God works with it—because the Holy Spirit designs thus to work upon the hearts of men, giving high principles, forming holy habits, in the several members and so making a people truly great, and in the end truly prosperous upon the earth."

On these arguments we therefore submit the two following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, Whereas, the Sunday Schools of the Church are doing a real work in Church education, and realizing their importance as containing about 2,000 pupils and employing about 200 teachers, that we heartily approve of this work and congratulate them on their Lenten offering this year which amounts to \$104,000.

2. *Resolved*, That in order to promote Church education in this Diocese in some practical way, this Council does hereby establish a fund to be known as "The Church Education Fund of the Diocese of Arkansas," and to be held by one of the fiduciaries designated by resolution of this Council until it be appropriated by the Diocesan Council for the establishment and endowment of a Diocesan school or schools duly organized and incorporated.

R. W. RHAMES,
JOHN T. HICKS,
P. K. ROOTS,
N. B. TRULOCK,

Committee.

The Council then on motion proceeded with the elections.

Mr. P. K. Roots was unanimously re-elected Diocesan Treasurer and Trustee of the Fund for Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergy.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner was unanimously re-elected Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund.

Mr. Fay Hempstead was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

Mr. John Gatling and Mr. John T. Hicks were elected as members of the Committee on Judiciary.

Rev. George B. Norton, D. D., and Mr. James H. Rodgers were elected Delegates to the Missionary Council, and the Bishop appointed Archdeacon W. D. Williams to fill the vacancy caused by Rev. C. B. K. Weed having left the Diocese.

Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D., was elected Preacher of the Sermon at the next Council, and Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling Alternate.

Rev. L. R. F. Davis, on behalf of St. James's Parish, invited the Council to hold its next session at Eureka Springs. The invitation was declined at this time, but was placed on file as a standing invitation to make Eureka Springs the first place of meeting of Council outside of Little Rock.

Rev. George B. Norton, D. D., offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That we hereby extend to the Rector and Parish of St. John's Church, our hearty thanks for their kind and generous hospitality as our entertainers.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the Secretary \$100 as an honorarium for his services.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the sexton of St. John's Church \$5 for his services during the sitting of the Council.

Resolved, That the Secretary have printed and distributed in the usual manner 500 copies of the Journal; and such portions of the Journal as the Bishop may desire for Missionary work, and slips of amendments to Canons passed at the present Council.

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to have an additional set of the Journals of the Diocese bound for use of the president of the Standing Committee.

Resolved, That the address of Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D., before the Board of Missions, be published in the Journal.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported that the Special Committee appointed at last Council (Journal, p. 13) to make out and report a list of all Parishes and Missions in the Diocese at the beginning of the Bishop's Episcopate, asked for further time, and on motion the Archdeacon and Registrar were continued as that committee to report at next Council.

Committee on Education was appointed and elected as follows:

APPOINTED BY THE BISHOP.

Ven. W. D. Williams.

ELECTED.

Rev. R. W. Rhames.

Mr. John T. Hicks.

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

Mr. P. K. Roots.

Rev. David L. Trimble.

Mr. John Gatling.

Mr. N. B. Trulock.

Mr. Morris C. Tombler.

On motion of Rev. W. D. Buckner the chairman of the Committee on Episcopal Residence Debt was authorized to send printed notices to each Rector and Missionary asking a canvass of their respective fields for subscriptions to the fund for payment of the debt.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The Committee on Ways and Means respectfully report that they have had under consideration the resolution offered by the Secretary as to an apportionment for Missions (of which 40 per cent to Diocesan Missions and 60 per cent to the General Board at New York), and recommend its adoption, and that the following assessment for Diocesan expenses and apportionment for Missions be approved:

Parish or Mission.	Diocesan Assessment.	Missionary Apportionment.
Christ Church, Little Rock	\$450	\$450
Trinity, Pine Bluff	250	250
St. John's, Helena	250	250
St. Luke's, Hot Springs	200	200
St. John's, Fort Smith	175	175
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	175	175
St. Paul's, Batesville	100	100
St. Paul's, Fayetteville	100	100
Trinity, Van Buren	100	100
St. Paul's, Newport	100	100
St. John's, Camden	75	75
St. Andrew's, Marianna	50	50
Good Shepherd, Forrest City	50	50
St. James's, Eureka Springs	40	40
St. Mark's, Hope	30	30
Trinity, Searcy	25	25
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring	25	25
Christ Church, Mena	20	20
St. Luke's, Brinkley	25	25
Immanuel, Lake Village	20	20
St. Agnes's, Morrilton	15	15
St. Philip's, Little Rock	15	15
St. Mark's, Jonesboro	15	15
St. Mary's, Monticello	15	15
Grace, Washington	10	10
St. Barnabas, Foreman	10	10
Redeemer, Nashville	10	10
Grace, Siloam Springs	10	10
St. Clement's, Arkansas City	10	10

St. James's, Prescott	\$ 10	\$ 10
Ascension, Pocahontas	10	10
St. Mary's, Medford	10	10
St. John's, Harrison	10	10
Fulton	5	5
St. Stephen's, Winslow	5	5
St. Mark's, Conway	5	5
St. Mark's, Lonoke	5	5
St. Andrew's, Rogers	5	5
Holy Communion, Paragould	5	5
Calvary, Osceola	5	5
Ascension, Booneville	5	5
St. Matthias, Dermott	5	5
St. Mark's, Pulaski Heights	5	5
Holy Trinity, Berryville	4	4
Christ Church, Clarendon.....	2	2
All Saints, Devall's Bluff	2	2
St. James's, Des Arc... ..	2	2
Mission at El Dorado	2	2
St. Barnabas, Baring Cross.....	2	2
St. John's, Wynne ..	2	2
Total	\$2,476	\$2,476

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. BUCKNER,
W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.,
S. S. FAULKNER,
P. K. ROOTS,
HORATIO RILEY,
R. E. LEE,

Committee—

The resolution, assessment and apportionment were ~~unanimously~~ adopted and approved.

Approval of the minutes of to-day's proceedings was ~~left~~ with the Bishop and Secretary.

After collects and benediction by the Bishop, the ~~Council~~ adjourned *sine die*.

WM. M. BROWN,
Bishop of Arkansas—

Attest:

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary.

APPENDIX I.

FOURTH ADDRESS TO THE ANNUAL COUNCIL
OF THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

By the Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop
of Arkansas.

Brethren of the Church and Laity:

This is my "Fourth Annual Address to the Diocese of Arkansas." It is longer than I originally intended it to be, but, as I have concluded to deliver it in daily installments of a half hour at the beginning of each afternoon session, I trust that it will not tire you. When I have finished I hope that you will feel with me that the subjects which are usually treated of in such addresses are this year so numerous and important as to make an exceptionally long address desirable.

In order that my recommendations may be submitted in time for any consideration that you may be inclined to give them, I will abandon the usual order of topics and proceed at once to the portions of the address to which recommendations are appended.

CLERGY RELIEF.

There is hardly a subject of more pathetic interest than that of relieving the aged and infirm Clergy and assisting their widows and orphans. For nearly fifty years the General Church has furnished meager aid to the needy among such entitled to larger help.

Our own Diocese has exhibited its good will in this regard, and gathered a small fund for this purpose. In a variety of ways the Church in the United States has taken this weighty matter under consideration. Diocesan Councils and the General Conventions have earnestly recommended that stated offerings be made for this fund. It of course has my unqualified support. I am glad to observe what appears to be an increasing interest in this most worthy object. In accordance with the expressed wish of this Council a committee was appointed last year to consider the wisdom and feasibility of co-operating or combining with "The Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of

America." It is my conviction that consolidation, or to use the current commercial word "merging," in this matter is both desirable and practicable and I hope it may appeal, likewise, to the Council.

THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE INDEBTEDNESS.

For the next three or four years, I have decided to use any trust funds to the amount of \$1,000, that I may have over and above the \$4,500 that I am obliged to raise for our Church extension work, in the reduction of the debt upon the Episcopal Residence, providing this Council will agree to the following proposition, namely:

If the Diocese of Arkansas, on or before May 16, 1903, will pay in full the note and all accrued interest due to that date, on account of the Episcopal Residence debt, and will, in addition thereto, reduce the said indebtedness \$1,000, then I will pay \$1,000 for the same purpose, so that in all the debt will be reduced by the amount of the interest plus \$2,000. It is understood that I am to pay no part of my \$1,000 until the Council, by its representative, has paid said interest plus \$2,000 in full.

I want to make it clear that this proposition, so far as it concerns myself and the trust funds for which I am responsible, does not relate to money that is or soon will be due on the Episcopal Residence indebtedness for the past year. As I understand it, there will be due before the closing of this Council on May 16, 1902, the first note of \$1,150 and interest on all the notes amounting to \$575, making a total of \$1,725. This amount or any amount that shall be found to be correct, must be paid in full before I can enter into the proposed agreement.

I hope that this proposition may be accepted, and that I may be able to renew it with like results from year to year. If we can enter into this agreement and carry it out for four years, the debt will be wiped out and the Diocese will be much better off than it ever has been in respect to its ability to make suitable provision for the support of its Bishop.

A BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE HOLDING OF TRUST FUNDS.

So far as my observation extends, the few and small Trust Funds of the Diocese of Arkansas have been administered quite as well as similar funds of other Dioceses.

The policy of the Diocese in the care of its Trust Funds, so far, has been to appoint one Trustee for each fund, and each Trustee appointed in accordance with this policy has administered the fund for which he was kind enough to assume responsibility with a fidelity which in some cases has involved the sacrifice of

personal interests on behalf of his fund, and with an ability which I venture to say is not excelled by the Trustees of any fund in any Diocese of the country. The Diocese owes and is always ready to tender a most cordial vote of high appreciation and warm thanks, especially to the administrator of our chief Trust Fund, namely, that for the endowment of an Episcopate.

Arkansas is undoubtedly financially the poorest Diocese in the American Church. That the Episcopal Endowment of such a Diocese from a feeble beginning only a few years ago, with no contributions from the outside, and only small ones from the inside, should have grown until it has reached the very respectable sum of \$20,000, is to me nothing less than astonishing. I believe that the growth of our Episcopate Fund has no parallel in any Diocese of this country.

I was for some years the Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Diocese of Ohio, and I am glad to testify that our Episcopate Fund has been doing very much better than theirs. Indeed, its growth seems to me to have been very exceptional, almost phenomenal.

In view of the fact that our Diocesan Trust Funds are being administered under the present policy with the highest possible, and in fact most exceptional, efficiency, I naturally have had great hesitancy in recommending any change of policy.

However, I believe that the time has come when we should have a legally incorporated Board of Trustees who shall be responsible to the Council for the care of all the Trust Funds of the Diocese and for the holding and defending of all titles to real estate Church property which does not run to the Vestries or to the Bishop.

If the Council sees fit to favorably consider my recommendation in this matter, it will of course elect the present Trustees of Funds, members of the board, and I see no reason why the board might not continue them as treasurers of the funds which they have respectively administered with such great acceptability.

TREASURER'S BONDS.

In this Diocese, the custom prevails of requiring a Treasurer of a Trust Fund to secure bondsmen for himself. There has been no cause to regret this custom for the bondsmen secured have, it appears, always been highly acceptable to the Council. Nevertheless I do not like the policy of private bondsmen. It would not work well in the unhappy and improbable event of difficulty. The Council would be sure to hesitate in demanding the payment of such bonds, and there would almost certainly be loss to the fund concerned.

Besides there is an element of injustice in asking a man to gratuitously administer a fund and require him to ask his friends to go on the required bond. I recommend that this feature of our policy be changed. It is antiquated, unsafe, and unjust.

THE APPORTIONMENT PLAN.

In another connection I shall have occasion to speak more fully of the San Francisco General Convention. I wish to say here that, in my humble judgment, one of the best of the many good things done by it was the adoption of the "Apportionment Plan" of raising money for the carrying on of the work of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. This was done by the passing of a resolution authorizing the Board of Managers for the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to determine how much money they would need to meet all the obligations of the Society and to request the several Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions to raise their proportionate share of the amount.

The Board has done its duty respecting this most business-like recommendation with excellent results. The amount apportioned to Arkansas is in round numbers \$1,500. Considering the weakness of the Church in this Diocese, and in fact that, until I came among you, the Bishop's salary was paid by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and that you raised comparatively little for Diocesan Missions, our apportionment probably falls as heavily upon us as upon any Diocese or Missionary jurisdiction in the country.

But though our apportionment is far more than we are likely to pay this year, it is not really excessive or beyond our ability. We have in round numbers 3,000 communicants, one cent per week from each communicant, to say nothing about our non-communicating constituency and the Sunday School children, would pay a little more than our apportionment. Compared with our brethren of other Dioceses we are poor. The people of Arkansas are, as the Banking Credit Statistics show, the poorest in the United States; but comparatively poor as we are, we are not so poor that our constituency, which all told must be fully six thousand, cannot pay an average of one cent for each of our 3,000 communicants. Granting that there are some who cannot pay even that small amount, there are many who could if they would, pay five times as much. It is, therefore, not at all a question of ability, but rather one of disposition and system.

The \$1,500 should be equitably apportioned between our congregations, and our Clergy should not rest day or night until ample provision has been made for the raising of their respective allotments. We, who are receiving so much help from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and from benefactors whom God



has raised up for us at the North and East, of all Dioceses, should cheerfully make sacrifices if necessary, in order that the whole of our apportionment may be raised from year to year.

But it is not necessary for us to make sacrifices in order to do our duty to Missions, as it is gauged by the Board of Managers. It is only necessary that we should inaugurate systems of regular instructions about Missions and collections for Missions.

The Church Press does not expect us to do our duty and has kindly been making excuses for us in giving reasons why our apportionment should have been smaller. The feeling is no doubt widespread throughout the Church. No one seems to expect us to do our duty. Let us surprise the Church and promote our self-respect by doing it. It is my earnest desire that this Diocese shall take most kindly to the plan of apportionment. It is a practical policy and one in touch with the Kingdom at large. A giving Diocese is always a growing Diocese; and a Clergyman, who hasn't ability and enthusiasm enough to enlist the hearts of his people in Missionary work and giving, is certainly unable to feed the flock of God aright.

Missions are grounded on a number of motives, any one of which should lift us out of selfness and into a state of giving. The altruist will adopt apportionment for the one sure happiness which comes from doing for others; the patriot because he desires to share in the betterment of his own people and native land; but the earnest believer will welcome it as in the nature of complying with the command of Christ to teach the nations the Way of Life.

THE RELATION OF UNEMPLOYED CLERGYMEN TO THIS COUNCIL.

Last year I called attention to the anomalous relation that Clergymen who are canonically resident of this Diocese but who are not employed in any ministerial work of the Diocese sustain towards this Council. Such Clergymen represent nobody but themselves and yet their votes count for as much as the Rector who represents the largest Parish in the Diocese. There have been on my list at one time as many as ten of these non-parochial Clergymen as they are technically called.

Improbable as such a thing may be, it is nevertheless quite within the range of the possible, that all of these non-parochials should be present at a Council and that a contest should arise in which they would be wholly for one side. Under such circumstances they would be almost sure to carry the day.

Their victory as matters now stand would be perfectly legal. I am not saying that such a victory would be ruinous to the Diocese, but I do say and insist that there is an element of injustice in such a situation to those who are bearing the burden and the heat of

the day in our Parishes and Mission fields and that as a rule the Clergy employed in a Diocese are more likely than the unemployed to have its welfare at heart. This opinion evidently prevails throughout the American Church for there is no other Diocese in this country in which such a contingency as we have supposed would be possible.

I believe, therefore, that our Constitutions and Canons respecting Clerical representation in this Council should be changed and I offered a recommendation to this effect last year. It did not carry favor, and perhaps it is indelicate and unwise in me to bring it up again at this Council. But to me it presents itself as a matter of so much vital importance that I venture respectfully to renew my recommendation and to remind you of the number of non-parochial Clergymen who are sometimes entitled to vote in this Council; and to point out the fact that our Diocese, so far as I can ascertain, stands alone in giving a vote in its Councils to unemployed Clergymen.

CONVOCATIONS.

Unification and supervision are necessary and almost indispensable words in the vernacular of Diocesan Missions. They are essential to the highest degree of efficiency in prosecuting our important Missionary work. The unification and concentration of facts from the field, and effort in the field are as highly desirable and essential in Missionary work as is the accomplishment of the greatest results with a minimum loss of force in mechanics. To promote this essential unification and a corresponding increase of efficiency in the Missionary service, I concluded to accept the resignation of the Rev. R. W. Rhames and for the future to do the work with the aid of only one Archdeacon who should be both my right and left hand in all Missionary undertakings.

Some of the Clergy who have the Missionary interests of the Diocese very much at heart have regretted my abandonment of the old Convocation system. I gave it up because the Canons happily left me free to do so, and because it does not fit in with my Archdeaconal unification policy. But I should be glad if the Canons could be so changed as to admit of the resumption of the Convocational idea with the Archdeaconal idea of unity and priority in the foreground.

You will see from this that I do not intend to restore diversity of responsibility by having as many divisional supervisors of Missionary work as there may be Convocations.

If the Convocations are resumed, it is my purpose to apply the title Canon to the Presbyter in each Convocation who, heretofore, has been denominated the Dean. I do this because we have a



Cathedral, and necessarily the Bishop's assistant and representative in the Cathedral Parish is the Dean. I would prefer the title Canon to that of Rural Dean. The Canons would take title from the Cathedral and be members of the Chapter, and I would desire that each should preach occasionally in the Cathedral.

The order of precedence in the Cathedral would be Bishop, Dean, Archdeacon and Canons, but in the Diocese it would be Bishop, Archdeacon, Canons and Dean. In arranging for the sessions of the Convocations the Archdeacon would, with the advice of the Canons respectively, prepare the programme and plan the work, and submit it to the Bishop for his modification and approval.

I would like very much to have Cathedral and Convocational Canons, who would co-operate with me as represented by the Archdeacon in the development of their respective Convocations, and should be glad if the Council would appoint a committee to determine whether or not it is practicable to revise and remodel the old Convocational system in accordance with the present policy of administering the Missionary work of this Diocese.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I beg respectfully to offer the following recommendations for the consideration of the Council. In order to facilitate the discussion of them, I have put them in the form of Resolutions.

I. THE GENERAL RELIEF FUND.

Resolved, That our Diocesan Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen be merged into the General Fund of the Church for that purpose, and that a committee be appointed to recommend to this Council measures for the accomplishment of this.

III. EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE DEBT.

Resolved, That if the Bishop of Arkansas will pay \$1,000 upon the Episcopal Residence indebtedness over and above the accrued interest, between May 16, 1902, and May 16, 1903, the members of this Council will co-operate with the Episcopal Residence Committee in raising \$2,000 plus the accrued interest to May 16, 1903, to apply upon said indebtedness so that the purchase price will be reduced \$3,000 within this Council year.

Note: This resolution does not relate to any indebtedness on the Episcopal Residence that should have been paid on or before May 16, 1902. That must be paid before my offer is available.

IV. TRUSTEES.

Resolved. That there shall be elected by ballot a Board of five Laymen, two of whom shall be lawyers and three well known business men, three of the five for six years and two for three years, to be known as the Board of Trustees for the Diocese of Arkansas, said Board to be duly incorporated according to the laws of the State of Arkansas, and to be charged with the care of all endowment funds of the Diocese.

Note: I desire that the Bishop of Arkansas should be ex-officio chairman, and the Archdeacon, ex-officio recording secretary, but not that they should have a vote.

The Board will elect its own president and official secretary.

V. SURETY BONDS.

Resolved. That all necessary Surety Bonds be taken out and paid for by the Diocese of Arkansas in some reliable insurance company.

VI. APPORTIONMENT PLAN.

1. *Resolved.* That the Apportionment Plan recommended and adopted by the last General Convention for the raising of funds with which to carry on the work of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, is hereby approved and indorsed by the Diocese of Arkansas.

2. *Resolved.* That this Diocese should make an earnest and persistent effort to raise the amount apportioned to us by the Board of Managers who acted under the instructions of the General Convention.

3. *Resolved.* That the Committee on Ways and Means be and hereby is requested to divide the \$1,500 apportioned to Arkansas, equitably among our Parishes and Mission Stations so that our Clergymen and congregations may know what amount they should collect respectively in order to raise their due proportion.

VII. UNEMPLOYED CLERGYMEN.

Resolved. That Section 1, Canon 1, Title 1, of the Canons of the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, be amended by inserting in said section, after the words, "ministerial service within the Diocese," the following words, namely, "No Clergyman shall be qualified to vote who has ceased to be a Rector, or Assistant Rector, or is no longer a Minister in charge of a Parish, Mission or Preaching Station; or is not engaged in general missionary work under appointment of the Bishop within this Diocese; but his right to a seat and the privileges of the floor shall not be abridged."

OR THIS COMPROMISE.

Resolved, That Section 1, Canon 1, Title 1, of the Canons of the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, be amended by inserting in said section, after the seventh line, the following words:

"No Clergyman, though canonically a member of this Diocese, who has been absent from the State twelve consecutive months, shall be qualified to vote in this Council upon any question, unless he was absent on sick leave.

"Any Clergyman, canonically a member of this Diocese, who has been absent from the State one year or more, may vote at any session of the Council, convened after he shall have canonically resumed actual ministerial service within the Diocese."

VIII. DIOCESAN SCHOOLS.

Resolved, That the Committee on Education be enlarged and made permanent.

IX. CONVOCATIONAL SYSTEM.

Resolved, That the Canons giving the Bishop authority to divide the Diocese into Convocational Districts, and to appoint Missionary Deans over them, be revised, so far as the Missionary policy now in operation may require and make necessary.

X. AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Resolved, That a committee of two Little Rock gentlemen be appointed to examine the Bishop's account with our Eastern benefactors, and that said committee be and are hereby requested to send its report to the Secretary of this Council in time for publication in the Journal.

NECROLOGY.

In this Church we are taught that it is one of the fundamental duties of a member of the Kingdom of Christ to honor and obey the Civil Authority, and in both our daily Morning and Evening Prayer and also in our solemn Litany and Communion Office we pray for those whom God in His Providence has set over us as Civil Rulers. It is, therefore, eminently proper that the name of our martyred President, William McKinley, should appear first among the names of those whose departure from this life it is my sad duty to record.

The assassination of President McKinley first caused a universal thrill of horror, which, after the blasting of the prayerful hopes of the world, was succeeded by the deepest and most widespread regret and sorrow that have ever been occasioned by the

death of any American citizen. The people not only of this country, but of the whole civilized world, mourned his death. When Washington was buried it is probable that not half of the comparatively few people then living within the narrow limits of the original thirteen colonies knew of his death. The assassination of Lincoln was generally known and mourned from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Lakes to the Gulf. The times, however, were different and his burial took place before the news reached Europe. But the report of the shots of McKinley's assassin had scarcely ceased to reverberate through the spacious structure in which the great American Commoner was shaking hands with his beloved people before, as by telegraphic instinct, all the flags of the civilized world fell to half mast in sorrowful recognition of the awful calamity which had befallen these United States and in testimony of the high and universal esteem in which our President was held. And so all the people of the great American and European Continents, and much of the rest of the world, as one bereaved family, wept at the fate and grave of McKinley.

The din of our political partisanship, which is sometimes deafening, was altogether hushed, and all Christians devoutly repeated in their conversations and at the crowded Memorial Services which were held throughout the whole of Christendom, the last prayer and hymn of our lamented leader. "Thy Will Be Done." "Nearer my God to Thee, nearer to Thee."

Men think and speak of President McKinley as martyred by a "red handed" anarchist. But would it not be more really the truth to say that he was martyred by that law of sacrifice which accounts for great leadership? The law which requires sacrifice in exact proportion to the magnitude of good accomplished is a Divine decree and therefore it cannot be broken. This law inevitably prevents a selfish man from being a great man, a great leader, such as our departed President was. By the operation of this law of sacrifice selfish men always defeat themselves as Napoleon did. This is the law by which even the Lord Jesus himself in His incarnation and atoning death was governed. Now our martyred President recognized this glorious law of sacrifice. His death was only one of a long series of sacrifices by which he ascended one round after another until he reached the top of the ladder. By his death the late President has made a sacrifice which perhaps was needed to call our attention to the great evil of anarchism that it may, in God's own good time, be done away with. We believe that William McKinley was large enough and brave enough to be willing to give his life as the price by which his country will be free from this evil. He died a martyr and a sacrifice to free us from the sin of anarchy.



Since our last Council four of the Bishops of the American branch of the Anglican Communion in the Church of God have finished their labors and passed to the rest of Paradise, namely:

The Rt. Rev. Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L., the first Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island and the ninety-first in the American Succession. He was consecrated on January 27, 1869, and he died August 3, 1901.

The Rt. Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D. D., LL. D., the first Bishop of Minnesota and the sixty-eighth in the American Succession. He was consecrated October 23, 1859, and died September 16, 1901.

The Rt. Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D., LL. D., the first Bishop of Quincy and the 119th in the American Succession. He was consecrated on May 15, 1878, and he died on October 8, 1901.

The Rt. Rev. John Franklin Spalding, D. D., the second Bishop of Colorado and the 104th in the American Succession. He was consecrated on December 31, 1873, and he died March 9, 1901.

All these were among the more distinguished members of our Episcopate and at least two of them, Whipple and Littlejohn, will go down in history as among the greatest Bishops which the American Church has given to the Church Catholic.

It is fitting that I should make some special reference to Bishop Littlejohn, for in his death the Diocese of Arkansas has lost one of its greatest benefactors. In order that you may appreciate the greatness of the debt of gratitude we owe to the memory of the late Bishop of Long Island it will be necessary for me to relate a little history, some of which has not before been made public.

You will remember that I came among you in the summer of 1898, having been consecrated on June 24 of that year. It took me until September, 1899, to become well acquainted with the field and to make up my mind as to the resources necessary for its development. I reached the conclusion that in order to make my Episcopate a success from a Missionary point of view I must have at least \$10,000 per year. With that amount I thought I could support two General Missionaries, twelve Circuit Missionaries, and each year built five chapels and two rectories. Of the requisite \$10,000, I estimated that my people could give me \$1,000 at the most. The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society was giving us \$1,500 for work among the whites. They were also giving us \$400 for our feeble work among the colored people; but I had not taken this work into consideration. It seemed to me that for the present it was useless for me to undertake more than to strengthen the stakes and to lengthen the cords of the Church among our rapidly increasing white population, for which we were not doing anything in fifty of the seventy-five counties of the

State. In order to get the requisite \$10,000 for Church extension work among our long neglected white population I finally settled upon and carried out the following plan:

1. To ask the Church in Arkansas to give me \$1,000.
2. To ask the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to make an appropriation to Arkansas of \$4,500 instead of the \$1,500 which it had long been receiving.
3. To ask the Church people at the North and East to give me \$4,500 from year to year for ten years until we could so far develop our vast Missionary field as to have a sufficiently strong Diocese to stand alone.

I laid my plan before two of my brethren of the Episcopate whom I met about the time it was matured and they both discouraged me very much as to the prospects of success in securing an increased appropriation from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Nevertheless, though they were very prominent Bishops and seemed to know whereof they spoke, I was not discouraged. In the course of the summer of 1899 I carefully prepared an address with which to appear before the September meeting of the Board of Managers. All our Bishops are ex-officio members of the Board and as such have a right to be heard touching the Missionary interests of their respective Dioceses, and even of the Church at large. I delivered my address and was delighted to find that it was listened to with much more patience and that it elicited much more sympathy than I had been led to expect.

All the members of the Board opened their eyes to their full capacity and many of them smiled almost audibly when I asked for an appropriation of \$4,500 instead of \$1,500. However, at my request, my petition was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and report at the October meeting of the Board.

I was told by my "Job's comforters," of whom I had many in those days, that the Executive Committee existed chiefly for the purpose of "turning down and burying" such propositions as mine and that my only hope for success lay in the exceedingly difficult task of winning over the Bishop of Long Island, Chairman of the Committee and Mr. George C. Thomas, the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and also a most influential member of the committee. I resolved to beard these lions in their dens by coming before the Executive Committee at their October meeting.

So I went home and prepared another address. I went back a day or two before the meeting, sought and obtained an interview with the venerable, dignified, and as many thought, austere Chairman of the Executive Committee, Bishop Littlejohn. The Bishop received me very kindly, making me feel quite comfortable

y readily consenting to hear my address. In the course of the address and the conversation which followed he frequently expressed astonishment at my revelations concerning the resources and prospects of the South and the little that had been done to develop the Church there as compared with the Northwestern States and Territories. He cordially granted my request for a hearing before the Executive Committee.

As a consequence of having won over to my side one of the two most influential members, when the supreme hour came I appeared before the committee with much more courage than I otherwise should have had; but when I saw Mr Thomas, the obstructing Treasurer, before me, it was still with considerable fear and trembling that I commenced my address. Imagine, therefore, as best you can, my surprise and gratitude when before I had half finished the time allotted to me the Treasurer interrupted me by saying that he had carefully looked into the merits of my application and agreed with the Bishop of Long Island as he believed all the members of the committee did, in the conviction that my request should be granted in full and begged then and there to offer a resolution to that effect.

I rehearse this history in grateful memory of the late Bishop of Long Island, who was to me and to the Diocese of Arkansas a most influential friend at a time when we were in great need of such friends at headquarters, and therefore he was a friend indeed.

And let me add by way of parenthesis, that to characterize Mr. Thomas as the "obstructing Treasurer," is to give an altogether wrong conception of the man. He, with all the members of that most important Advisory Committee of the Board of Managers in which he justly exercises a very great influence, is cautious and disposed to go to the bottom of things before giving his voice in favor of granting an appeal; but when he is convinced of great missionary needs and opportunities, he is the first to acknowledge the merits of the appeal, and if the Board cannot, for the lack of funds, make the desired appropriation, he empties his own pockets rather than let a Bishop go away empty handed. Mr. Thomas, because of his helpful words, gifts and sympathy, is entitled to be recognized as the chief of the Missionary benefactors of Arkansas.

It is not generally known, that for all the valuable time he gives to his work, as Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, he does not accept one cent of remuneration, it on the contrary, is constantly giving out. Though he is doubtless very far from being the wealthiest American churchman, he is probably the most liberal giver to Missions. He is, I think, all things considered, justly entitled to rank as the first Layman of D of A-1.

the Episcopal Church and I believe that this enviable distinction is generally conceded to him. May God raise up many others like him in every Diocese.

To return to the late Bishop of Long Island. Bishop Potter in speaking of Bishop Littlejohn's interest in Missions in the September issue of the "Spirit of Missions," justly says, the Church has lost a wise and fearless leader; but every Missionary, wherever he stands alone contending for Christ and His truth, has lost a wise and devoted friend. Not only has Arkansas lost one of her great benefactors in the death of Bishop Littlejohn, but the Church has lost one of the greatest of her sons. He was a scholar, an author, a pulpit orator, and withal a man of great capability in practical and executive affairs. He was also endowed with an unusual dignified and prepossessing personality. As an all round man and Bishop the American Church has produced few who have been his equal. It is doubtful whether any Bishop that this Church has had has left a better record of Church growth and of successful institutions founded than Long Island's first Bishop. The splendid Cathedral of the Diocese and the great institutions grouped about it which to all who have visited Garden City are a marvelous vision, are only a few of the apparently imperishable foundations which will perpetuate the good work and the blessed memory of this princely man and Apostolic Bishop. It is said that to Bishop Littlejohn belongs the chief credit of formulating the famous Quadrilateral, which was adopted by the whole Anglican Episcopate and Church as the basis of overtures to divided Christendom, looking to the restoration of the unity of the Apostolic and Primitive Church without which it is now generally believed the world can never be conquered for Christ.

Under the circumstances it was fortunate that the General Missions of Eastern and Western Arkansas happened to be so situated that they could be present at the funeral of Bishop Littlejohn.

For the first time since the decease of my lamented predecessor, I am called upon to record the death of one of the Clergy of Arkansas.

Since our last Council, one of our Clergy, the Rev. Ephraim Watt, M. A., departed this life. He died September 12, 1901, at Saranac Lake, New York. It is always interesting to note the unfolding of a human life, and to trace the stages of its growth, especially when that career has its genesis under conditions favorable to free, healthy, native development, and is later transferred to a more stimulating and larger environment.

Mr. Watt was born in the County of Tyrone, in the North of Ireland, January 28, 1844. He was the second son of James and Jane Dunlop Watt, whose ancestors removed from Scotland to

Ireland at the time of the Ulster colonization. Baptized in infancy, he was confirmed at the age of fourteen by the Bishop of Armagh. His father was an ardent Methodist and a class leader.

The subject of our remarks was early sent to the best of schools, including a course in higher education at Dublin. He taught for several years, always with success; but prompted by a frequently recurring and strong desire, he decided to seek the sacred Ministry, and determined to emigrate to the United States. For eleven years he labored successfully as a Methodist Minister, until, in 1883, he became a Postulant for Holy Orders. This was the logical sequence of his earliest religious instruction and material influence. He took work under his uncle, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Dunlop, the late and esteemed Missionary Bishop of New Mexico. After several years of blessed service on the frontier, he accepted a call to California. He removed to Ohio fourteen years ago, and it was in that State that I had the privilege of first meeting him.

In February, 1901, the Rev. Mr. Watt accepted an urgent call to St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs. His health was somewhat impaired but he came to us hoping that a change of climate would soon renew his vigor and restore his strength. In this he was sorely, though resignedly, disappointed. In less than four months from the time he began his labors among us he was advised to seek rest and relief among Northern pines or by Northern lakes. He went to Michigan and later to the Adirondacks. But nothing availed, and soon he was not, for God took him. His mortal remains rest in the quiet, beautiful cemetery of Rome, New York. A widow and two daughters survive him.

Mr. Watt was a true man and an exemplary Minister. He was what he seemed to be, no affectation, no assumption, no cant, but an humble, hearty, intellectual, scholarly, devoted, self-forgetting man of God, a faithful servant of Jesus Christ. The same grace which fitted him so eminently for earthly service prepared him for that rest which remaineth for the people of God.

"Servant of God, well done!

Rest from thy loved employ.

The battle fought, the victory won,

Enter thy Master's joy."

One prominent member of the Laity of the Diocese has departed this life since our last Council. Miss Fannie Scott, of Van Buren, was much beloved at home and highly esteemed throughout the South. She was prominent in all that related to the betterment of her native Arkansas, and was a chosen daughter of the Confederacy. She represented the State at the World's Fair, in

Chicago, 1893, and was the principal promoter in securing the Confederate Monument in Van Buren. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Time would fail me to tell of the life and works of Whipple, of international fame as the Apostle to the American Indian, and of Burgess and Spalding, who having put their hand to the plow in very difficult fields, did not look back but died in the furrow, bearing the marks of the Lord Jesus.

May I ask the Archdeacon to now lead us in Prayer while we offer thanksgiving to the author of all goodness for the good examples and works of our martyred President, the four Bishops, the Priest and distinguished woman whose deaths it has been my sad duty to record. And may I ask him on behalf of myself to also offer the Prayer of Thanksgiving for the beginning of recovery.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE BISHOPS OF ARKANSAS.

Through the kindness of Mrs. Dr. W. A. Cantrell of Little Rock, and the painstaking skill of Mr. G. H. Roberts, a photographer of Little Rock, I have been enabled to place in the Episcopal Residence photographs of uniform size and finish as follows: (1). The Rt. Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., first Missionary Bishop of Arkansas, 1838 to 1841. (2). The Rt. Rev. James Henry Otey, D. D., acting Missionary Bishop of Arkansas from 1841 to 1844. (3). The Rt. Rev. George Washington Freeman, D. D., second Missionary Bishop of Arkansas from 1844 to 1858. (4). The Rt. Rev. Henry Champlain Lay, D. D., third Missionary Bishop of Arkansas from 1859 to 1869.

With considerable difficulty Mrs. Cantrell had collected photographs of these first Bishops of Arkansas. In the case of Bishops Otey and Freeman, the best she could do was to secure reprints or engravings. It seemed to me very desirable that as good copies as possible should be made of Mrs. Cantrell's valuable collection and that it should be rendered possible for any of our churches to secure them for their Vestry rooms. This has been accomplished. Mrs. Cantrell's pictures are all small cabinet size. Mr. Roberts enlarged them on an eight by ten plate. The first impression cost me \$5 each, but other impressions will cost any Vestry or individual \$1.50 each. I hope that all our Vestry rooms and many of our private homes will secure sets and thus perpetuate the memory of our first Bishops of whom we may well be proud.

MY WORK IN ARKANSAS.

In the course of the year I have visited the following places in Arkansas from one to five times, namely: Batesville, once; Pine Bluff, three times; Jonesboro, once; Brinkley, once; Lonoke, once; Mena, twice; Fort Smith, twice; Marianna, once; Forrest City, three

times; Winslow, once; Eureka Springs, once; Van Buren, twice; Helena, once; Hot Springs, once; Mammoth Spring, once; Searcy, once; Hope, once; Washington, once; Pulaski Heights, once; Newport, twice; Booneville, once; St. Paul's Mission, Little Rock, once; St. Philip's Mission, Little Rock, once; Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, five times; Christ Church, Little Rock, five times.

CONFIRMATION VISITATIONS.

My visitations for confirmation were as follows: May 10, 1901, Christ Church, Little Rock, two candidates confirmed; November, 17. St. Paul's Church, Batesville, one candidate; November 24, St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, nine candidates; November 25, St. Luke's Church, Brinkley, five candidates; November 26, St. Mark's Church, Lonoke, two candidates; November 30, Christ Church, Mena, two candidates; December 1, Christ Church, Mena, six candidates; December 8, St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, six candidates; December 15, Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, three candidates; December 27, St. Stephen's Church, Winslow, four candidates; January 19, St. John's Church, Helena, fourteen candidates; February 5, Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, six candidates; April 3, Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, six candidates; April 3, Trinity Church, Searcy, one candidate; April 6, St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, seventeen candidates; April 9, Christ Church, Little Rock, three candidates; April 11, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, fifteen candidates; April 13, Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, four candidates; April 13, Christ Church, Little Rock, thirty-one candidates; April 20, St. John's Church, Fort Smith, eight candidates; April 20, Trinity Church, Van Buren, nine candidates; April 21, Ascension Church, Booneville, five candidates; April 24, St. Mark's Church, Hope, four candidates; April 25, Pulaski Heights, Little Rock, two candidates; May 11, St. Paul's Church, Newport, four candidates. Total number of candidates confirmed, 163.

PERSONS CONFIRMED.

The following is a complete list of persons confirmed by me in the Diocese of Arkansas within the Council year 1901-1902.

Christ Church, Little Rock, May 10, 1901.—Judge Wells, John Cyril France.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, November 17, 1901.—Mrs. Ellen Douglass Givens.

St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, November 24, 1901.—A. C. Kiltz, Edna Kiltz, Maud Kiltz, Mrs. Lora Nazor, Gladys Phyrn Nazor, Clara Hudson, Mrs. Ida T. Bivens, Henry James Byrd, William C. Green.

St. Luke's Church, Brinkley, November 25, 1901.—John Nelson Crow, Mrs. Nellie Rose Crow, Chester Franklin Barnett, Mrs. Della Scruggs, Mrs. Louise Lydia Ferguson.

St. Mark's Chapel, Lonoke, November 26, 1901.—Miss Rachael Lee Shute, Bennett Ioor Shute.

Christ Church, Mena, November 30, 1901.—Washington Irving Boyer, Mary Ellen Boyer.

Christ Church, Mena, December 1, 1901.—George Maximilian Miller, Jennie Mary Miller, Mrs. Martha Webster, Alice Webster, Alice Elizabeth Joy, Laetitia St. Clair Bissell.

St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, December 8, 1901.—Mr. Bruce Mulkey, Miss Grace Titus Ford, Miss Amelia Daggett, Master Maxey DeWitt Daggett, Master William Joseph Rankin, Master Walter Fleming.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, December 15, 1901.—Dr. James Edward Stone, Mrs. Lizzie Rollwage, Miss Lucy Owen Williams.

St. Stephen's Church, Winslow, December 27, 1901.—Miss Jennie Hilliard, Mrs. Matilda Burris, Mr. William Hall Younge, Mrs. Julia Ann Grube.

St. John's Church, Helena, January 19, 1902.—Lelia May Hubbard, Virginia Lucy, Nellie Upshaw, Mary Upshaw, Cornelia Mussey Smith, James Baxter Ellis, M. D., Mrs. Gertrude Ellis Miles, Mr. James B. Miles, Mr. Gilbert Yeager, Mrs. Zipporah Hanks Smith, Mr. Eton Pugh Govan, Mr. Russell Ellis Word, Mr. Fountain Bruce Moore, Mr. Frank Figures.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, February 5, 1902.—Mrs. (W. D.) May Latimer Buckner, Mrs. (W. A.) Ruby Alexander Collier, Mrs. Anne Gifford, Mr. Fred Allen Rogers, Miss Mabel Bowles, Miss Francis Martin.

Trinity Church, Searcy, April 3, 1902.—Miss Hattie Figures.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, April 6, 1902.—Verda Mary Beardo, Allen Thurman Davies, Cornelia Blanchard Davies, Rose Pearl Dickerson, Van Fowler, Annie Elizabeth Gibb, Adelaide Levenia Wilkins Horne, John Williams Kearns, Edgar Graham Penick, Mabel Eloise Peters, Carrie Virginia Price, David McKissack Pryor, Isabel Roman, Mamie Kathleen Russie, Mrs. Agnes Schwanitz, Joseph Sheppard, Charles Sturdivant.

Christ Church, Little Rock, April 9, 1902.—Mr. Robert McAdoo Richardson, Mr. Dawson Armstrong Walker, Mrs. Eliza Ann Richardson.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, April 11, 1902.—Mrs. Turner Ashley Sims, Mrs. Harry H. Reno, Percy Kent Robottom, James L. Abbot, Jr., Natalie Apperson, Walter Graham Hall, Daisy Griffith, Albert Joseph Puete, Frances Wade, John Mitchell, Albert Panther, Roy Yost, Shelby Tobey, Artnur Lorenza Oden,
Owen.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, April 13, 1902.—Mr. Haney H. Hall, Miss Jessie Andrews, Miss Lola Mann, Miss Mary Kate Riley.

Christ Church, Little Rock, April 13, 1902.—Mr. Edmund Linn Ker, Mr. Frederick Hotze, Mr. Otis Patrick Johnson, Mr. George Robert Overman, Mr. Logan Roots Hudson, Mr. Wm. Henry Halliburton, Mr. Wm. Alonzo Capel, Fred McVay, Mr. Frances Noel Mitchell, Mr. Antoine Neill Bohringer, Mr. Sterling Woodward Tucker, Mr. Irving Stafford Hirsch, Mr. Lovell Bay, Mr. Fred Oscar Cawmon, Mr. Randolph Cornell Newton, Mr. Gordon Patton, Mr. James Curran Conway, Mr. Clifton Brack, Mrs. Ruth Forrester, Mrs. Mary Sue Townes, Miss Lena Fay Baltzell, Miss Irene Carlton, Miss Janie Adelle Gray, Miss Mary Elizabeth Niemeyer, Miss Adele Redfield Woodson, Miss Sadie Mattie Kramer, Mrs. Sallie Ann Maupin, Miss Maude Ruth Maupin, Miss Dora Ellen Maupin, Miss Lizzie Agee Worthen, Miss Margaret Woodruff Wells.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, April 20, 1902.—Caroline Elizabeth Klingensmith, Edith May Dinge, Sarah Elizabeth Mayo, Mrs. John E. Winstel, Mrs. T. E. Dodd, Mrs. C. O. Green, Clifford Wyles Carstarphen, Charles Goodman.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, April 20, 1902.—Earl Anderson, Robin Burn, Farrar Burn, Miss Mabel Pedley, Mrs. Earl Peel, Mrs. Laura Morgan, Mr. Thomas Morgan, Mrs. Ida Seed, Mrs. Kate Butler.

Ascension Church, Booneville, April 21, 1902.—Misses Carrie May Clisbee, Eliza Ann Clisbee, Tullie Belle Simpson, Sarah Virginia Holbrook, Mr. Gardener H. Myers.

St. Mark's Mission Parish, Hope, April 24, 1902.—Miss Louise Rayburn Burton, Miss Grace Mills, Miss Julia Pritchard, Miss Flora May Reals.

St. Mark's Mission Parish, Pulaski Heights, April 25, 1902.—Miss Sallie Roy Nowlin, Miss Lizzie Yanson.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, May 11, 1902.—Mrs. B. B. Bond, Bessie Watson, Kate Harden and Hellen Terry.

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS CONSECRATED IN ARKANSAS WITHIN THE LAST COUNCIL YEAR.

On May 12, I consecrated Christ Church, Little Rock.

On November 27, I consecrated St. Mark's Chapel, Lonoke.

On January 22, I consecrated the Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

MARRIAGES.

Since the meeting of our last Diocesan Council I have solemnized the following marriage, namely:

Patrick Wilkins Crawford to Miss Miriam Roots, in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, on December 18, 1901.

SUMMARY OF MY WORK IN ARKANSAS.

Places visited, twenty-five; number of Visitations, forty-one; Sermons, thirty-six; Addresses, nine; Baptisms, seven; Confirmations, one hundred and sixty-three; Communion, eighteen; Marriages, one; Letters Dimissory given, five; Letters Dimissory received, three; Chapels consecrated, three; Lectures, six.

Total number of Sermons, Addresses and Lectures, fifty.

OUTSIDE WORK.

On June 2, I confirmed ten candidates at Christ Church, Pomfret, Conn.

On June 2, I confirmed three candidates at St. Philip's Church, Putnam, Conn.

On March 12, 1902, I confirmed twenty-two candidates at the Church of the Holy Cross, Kingston, N. Y.

On March 13, I confirmed six candidates at All Saints Church, Rosendale, N. Y.

On April 27, I preached at Thayer, Mo.

On May 1, I attended the consecration of Dr. Olmsted at the Cathedral Church of St. John the Evangelist, Denver, Colo.

During the Lenten season I made seventy-five addresses at the North and East on behalf of the Missionary work of Arkansas.

CONSENTS TO THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

Since the last meeting of our Diocesan Council I have given my Episcopal consent to the consecration of the following Bishops-elect, namely:

1. The Ven. Frederick William Taylor, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese of Quincy, on July 3, 1901.
2. The Rev. Frederick Burgess, D. D., Bishop for the Diocese of Long Island, on December 24, 1901.
3. The Rev. Hamilton Vinton, D. D., Bishop for the Diocese of Western Massachusetts, in April, 1903.
4. The Rev. Charles Stanford Olmsted, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese of Colorado, in April, 1902.
5. The Rev. Alexander Mackay Smith, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese of Pennsylvania, in April, 1902.
6. The Rev. Henry Forrester, Bishop for the Mexican Church, on May 7, 1902.
7. The Rev. Fausto Orihuela, Bishop for the Mexican Church, on May 7, 1902.
8. The Rev. Jose Antonio Carrion, Bishop for the Mexican Church, on May 7, 1902.

ORDINATIONS.

On August 4, 1902, acting for and on behalf of the Bishop of Ohio, and assisted by the Rev. C. D. Williams, D. D., and the Rev. O. E. Watson, M. A., Presbyters, I ordained to the Priesthood in the Church of God, the Rev. Arthur Dumper, M. A., Deacon, at Trinity Cathedral, in the City of Cleveland, Diocese of Ohio.

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED.

The following Clergymen have been duly and canonically received into the Diocese of Arkansas since the last meeting of our Diocesan Council, namely:

1. The Rev. George B. Norton, D. D., Priest, on October 7, 1901, from the Diocese of Colorado.
2. The Rev. C. D. Lafferty, M. A., Priest, on July 27, 1901, from the Diocese of Ohio.
3. The Rev. Gasherie DeWitt Dowling, M. A., Priest, on November 21, 1901, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

CLERGYMEN DISMISSED.

The following Clergymen have been duly and canonically dismissed by me from the Diocese of Arkansas since the last meeting of our Diocesan Council, namely:

1. The Rev. A. W. Pierce, Presbyter, on May 3, 1901, to the Diocese of Dallas.
2. The Rev. W. P. Browne, Presbyter, on May 14, 1901, to the Diocese of Tennessee.
3. The Rev. Lawrence S. Shermer, Presbyter, on December 23, 1901, to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.
4. The Rev. Arnoldus Miller, M. A., Presbyter, on January 1, 1902, to the Missionary District of Salt Lake.
5. The Rev. W. G. Coote, Presbyter, on January 7, 1902, to the Diocese of Central New York.

Note: My Letter Dimissory in all these cases was duly accepted.

POSTULANTS FOR HOLY ORDERS.

The following Clergymen are postulants in the Diocese of Arkansas for Holy Orders in the Church of God, namely:

1. Walter Barwick LeRoy Bruce, admitted January 1, 1901.
2. John Cyril France, admitted May 11, 1901.
3. George Drake Arnold, admitted December 23, 1901.
4. Augustus Michael Treschow, admitted January 1, 1902.
5. Newton Hockinsmith, M. D., admitted May 7, 1902.

1. AUTUMN AND WINTER VISITATIONS.

First Sunday in Advent, November 30, Trinity, Searcy.

Tuesday, December 2, St. James's, Des Arc.

Second Sunday in Advent, December 7, Theological School.

Monday, December 8, St. Barnabas, Baring Cross.

Third Sunday in Advent, December 14, Immanuel, Lake Village.

Monday, December 15, St. Mary's Mission, Monticello.

Tuesday, December 16, St. Matthias's Mission, Dermott.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 21, Christ Mission, Mena.

Sunday after Christmas, December 28, St. Andrew's, Marianna.

Monday, December 29, Wynne.

Second Sunday after Christmas, January 4, St. Paul's, Newport.

First Sunday after Epiphany, January 11, St. James's, Eureka Springs.

Monday, January 12, Holy Trinity Mission, Berryville.

Tuesday, January 13, St. John's Mission, Harrison.

Wednesday, January 14, St. Andrew's Mission, Rogers.

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 18, Ascension, Booneville.

Monday, January 19, St. Mark's, Lonoke.

Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 25, St. John's, Camden.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, February 1, St. Mark's, Jonesboro.

Tuesday, February 3, Holy Communion, Paragould.

Septuagesima Sunday, February 8, St. Mark's, Hope.

Tuesday, February 10, St. Barnabas Mission, Foreman.

Sexagesima Sunday, February 15, Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

Tuesday, February 17, Osceola.

Quinquagesima Sunday, February 22, St. Mark's, Pulaski Heights, and St. Philip's, Little Rock.

II. SPRING AND SUMMER VISITATIONS.

Easter Day, April 12, Christ Church, Little Rock.

Easter Tuesday, April 14, Grace Mission, Dumas.

Easter Wednesday, April 15, St. Mary's, Medford.

First Sunday after Easter, April 19, St. Luke's, Hot Springs.

Tuesday, April 21, St. James's Mission, Prescott.

Wednesday, April 22, Grace Church Mission, Washington.

Second Sunday after Easter, April 26, St. John's, Helena.

Tuesday, April 28, St. Clement's, Arkansas City.

Third Sunday after Easter, May 3, St. Paul's, Fayetteville.

Monday, May 4, Grace Mission, Siloam Springs.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, May 10, Trinity, Pine Bluff.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, May 17, St. John's, Fort Smith.

Monday, May 18, St. Agnes's Mission, Morrilton.
 Sunday after Ascension, May 24, St. Paul's, Batesville.
 Whitsun-Day, May 31, The Cathedral.
 Monday, June 1, St. Mark's, Conway.
 Trinity Sunday, June 7, Trinity, Van Buren.
 Monday, June 8, St. Stephen's, Winslow.

PROGRESS.

There has been no increase this canonical year in the number of our self-supporting Parishes, of which there are still only seven. Namely, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock; Christ Church, Little Rock; St. John's Church, Helena; St. John's Church, Fort Smith; Trinity Church, Pine Bluff; St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, and St. Paul's Church, Newport. I am thankful to say that there has been no retrogression in any of these, and most satisfactory progress in several of them.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, has built a good, in fact I may say a fine, rectory. It is a well located, attractive, commodious, comfortable home, the best of its kind in the Diocese, and the parish deserves unstinted commendation for building and furnishing

But the best of it all is, the Rector took the hint and did not disappoint the hope of his people, for he secured a help-meet to occupy it with him, who has won the hearts of all, and greatly increased the estimation of the whole community for the Rector a man of good sense.

All our self-supporting Parishes except St. Luke's Parish, Hot Springs, which rents a good house for her Rector, now have rectories, but I am sorry to say that in one case where the rectory not as good as the Parish should have, the Rector still persists, contrary to the advice of the Bishop, in occupying it alone. Perhaps if his congregation had as good a rectory as they have Pine Bluff he would stand a better chance of Mr. Buckner's good fortune.

Last year we had the satisfaction of reporting that the Mother Church of the Diocese, Christ Church, Little Rock, was ~~at~~ last out of debt, and that its imposing church edifice would be consecrated on the first Sunday after the meeting of the Council. This was done, and the day was, as predicted, a "Red Letter Day" in the history of the Diocese and See City. The Bishop of Tennessee was kind enough to accept our invitation and preach the consecration sermon, which was a notable one. Several of the Clergy remained over, and by their presence added dignity to and interest to the great service.

Now that Christ Church is out of debt, its progressive Rector, progressive in all but one respect, and Vestry have decided to put in a fine pipe organ at once, and then to fresco the interior of the church, and to put the whole building in good repair.

St. John's, Fort Smith, has also made most gratifying progress this year. All things considered, no church in the Diocese has been doing better for the last two years. That congregation commenced the erection of a stone church building some four or five years ago, but after putting up the walls and roof, it was unable for the lack of funds, to complete the interior. The services were held in the unfinished building until November last when the church was given over to the workmen, and our people, through the great kindness of the Jewish congregation, worshiped in the Synagogue until about Easter.

Our church at Fort Smith is now one of the most substantial and attractive of all ecclesiastical structures in Arkansas. The windows are still filled with the common unattractive glass that was put in temporarily, and in some other respects the building is still a little incomplete, but that which remains undone can easily wait until the people can comfortably put on the finishing touches.

Perhaps the most gratifying progress of the year has been made by St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs. Our substantial and well appointed brick church there, though erected some ten years ago has ever since been covered by an embarrassing mortgage. This, through the efforts of the Rector and Archdeacon, and the generosity of the people, has at last been paid off, and the building to the great delight of all concerned is now ready for consecration. The salary heretofore paid by this congregation has always been inadequate for the comfortable support of a Clergyman, but the Vestry is able to do much better by the incumbent than by any of his predecessors. They not only give him a larger salary, but they also rent an excellent house for him.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, has been unfortunate in losing her Rector. But the Parish is in a good, healthy, unified condition and I have no fears as to its future.

St. John's Church, Helena, still holds her own as being in some respects the leading Parish of the Diocese. In no respect except in numbers only is she second to any.

The progress in our Mission field has been quite as satisfactory as it was last year, and that is saying a good deal. We have built four new Mission churches in as many important places and purchased an excellent church property from our good Methodist brethren at a much less cost than we could have secured a lot and built. The purchased church is in Conway, twenty miles north-east of Little Rock, the county seat and largest town of Faulkner County. It is located on the Little Rock & Fort Smith Railway, and is an important educational center.

The first of the chapels erected this year is at Lake Village, a small, though rapidly growing town of 500 inhabitants. It is the county seat of Chicot County, one of the most fertile counties of the South.

Before the Civil War we had a well-appointed church and a good rectory here, and the prosperous congregation, which was scattered widely throughout the county, paid their Rector \$1,500 per year. In the course of the war and the reconstruction period our buildings were swept away and the people so impoverished that, until this year, they were unable to make provision for rebuilding and for the maintenance of the services. Indeed it is said that since the war to this day there has not been a resident white minister in the county. Our Lake Village people are glad in having the House of the Lord, and are earnestly desiring that a rectory may be built, thereby securing to them the residence of the able Missionary, who now ministers to them from Monticello, sixty miles away.

The second chapel built within the year is at Booneville, Logan County, 100 miles west of Little Rock, on the Choctaw Route. Opposite it stands the new courthouse, and the town will soon boast of a \$10,000 public school building. Fourteen persons have already been baptised there, and a small class confirmed. The building is neat and attractive, and after providing a few more articles of furniture, will be ready for the service of consecration.

Foreman, the new name for Rocky Comfort, and more than a mile distant from the site of the old historic village with its academy of former days, has had a chapel built in the past year. Since long ago, in the thirties, Church people have resided in the neighborhood. Bishop Polk visited here. The embers of faith smouldered or flickered, but never went out. The chapel stands very near the center of the town, facing the public square, a testimonial to the earnest toil of a few families, among the most earnest and diligent in good works that I have ever known.

The last of the chapels which I shall mention in this address is in Lonoke, twenty miles east of Little Rock. This, like the eight other chapels built, and the one purchased, is in a county seat. For many years the Church families of Lonoke hoped and prayed for a church building, be it ever so small or simple. Out of their meager resources they cheerfully contributed, as God had prospered them. The chapel and the land represented a \$1,000 investment, and, with the grant I was able to make, all bills have been paid to the manifest gratitude of the little flock. The town will continue to grow; and the prospects are bright that our constituency will not cease to increase as time goes on.

It is hardly necessary to allude to the vast importance of these achievements, but I feel it to be my glad duty to say, most gratefully, that without the aid of sympathetic donors in the East and the North the results attained would have been impossible.

The only reverse in our Missionary field was the burning by lightning of St. Mark's Chapel, Searcy, which took place on Wednesday in Holy Week, March 26.

Searcy is one of the older towns of Arkansas, and there have been Church people there ever since the time of Bishop Lay, more than thirty years ago. Some of them had been putting by what little money they could for the building of a church and hoping to see the day when their hearts' desire would be realized. At last, when the Arkansas Mission Chapel Building Fund enabled me to say that I would give one-third the cost of a modest little chapel furnished ready for worship, the old Church people and those who had recently come among them took courage, and began with much earnestness and energy to collect the money necessary to secure my pledge and begin building operations. In the course of a year they were successful and I reported the consecration of their chapel in my last Council address.

You may imagine the sorrow of these people when they saw their beloved chapel, for which they had so long hoped and worked, and sacrificed, in ashes. Fortunately most of the furniture, which is of excellent quality, was saved.

You will be glad to know that our little band at Searcy have not lost heart and that the prospects are that I will be able to report the chapel built on a larger and better scale at our next Council. They are greatly encouraged by the kindness of Christ Church, Little Rock, whose Rector and Vestry have given them their old pipe organ. The fact that Searcy is an important educational center, and that ours is to be the first pipe organ in the place, makes this generous gift a wise and highly appreciated one.

One of the most important steps in the way of progress still remains to be noted, namely, the securing of a Diocesan Residence for the Bishop.

I speak of this good fortune out of a glad and grateful heart, because it has added to the comfort and contentment of Mrs. Brown and myself, and because I believe that the improved condition of my health is in no little degree accounted for by our removal from an unsatisfactory, comparatively sunless, cramped, temporary residence to a sufficiently commodious, sunny, and in all respects perfectly satisfactory permanent home.

When in my last Council address, I made bold to suggest the desirableness of taking steps looking toward the purchase of an Episcopal residence, and offered to pay an annual rent of \$600 for five years if a satisfactory property were secured, I had but little if any expectation that when I next stood before the Council

I could say that what then seemed to be only a dream is now an accomplished fact. The committee appointed by the Council on an Episcopal residence consists of The Rev. W. D. Buckner, The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, and Messrs. H. C. Rather, W. G. Whipple, H. K. Cochran. Great credit is due to this committee for the prompt and far-seeing action which, by common consent, secured the best located, and in every respect the most desirable property available in the city of Little Rock. It is located on the southwest corner of Scott and Thirteenth Streets, almost exactly half way between the Cathedral and Christ Church. The Council closed on the 10th of May. On May 16 the deeds were executed. On behalf of Mrs. Brown and myself I want to thank the Diocese and the committee most warmly, and I think this Council owes its committee a vote of thanks.

It is now two years since we commenced to receive an increased appropriation of \$4,500 from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society on condition that I would raise an equal amount from friends that I could make at the North and East, and that we would raise \$1,000 for Diocesan Missions in Arkansas. In that time we have built ten chapels, one at each of the following places: Jonesboro, Searcy, Mena, Monticello, Arkansas City, Booneville, Foreman, Lonoke, Conway and Winslow.

Within the two years we have also built or purchased six rectories, one at each of the following places: Newport, Batesville, Forrest City, Van Buren, Jonesboro. In each of these places a rectory was a necessity. In some of the towns it was simply impossible to rent or secure a house; and in every one of them, a residence, however humble, is a permanent benefit and insures the benefit of permanence. Such enterprising provision is interpreted to mean that a Clergyman of the Church will reside continuously in the place. Next to the erection of a church or chapel, nothing is so much to be desired, in this Southwestern work, as a rectory. For houses are scarce and rents in proportion to the stipend are high.

In Mena and in Jonesboro, where we built this year, both rapidly growing towns, it was literally an impossibility to rent a house. I had to encourage the people to buy or build. They resolved, with self-denying devotion, to build; and the work in each place with such grants as I felt able to give, was finished without indebtedness.

Since we commenced to receive adequate outside help our Missionaries have increased from six to fifteen. I flatter myself that no Missionary Jurisdiction or Missionary work in any Diocese, can show a larger increase of workers or churches or rectories for destitute fields. Year by year the vast importance of Missionary work in Arkansas has been growing upon me. Never in my humble opinion, since Apostolic days, has a weightier responsibility devolved

upon a Diocese and Bishop, than now rests upon me. We must encourage and uphold the earnest, tactful, self-sacrificing men now in the field, and commission others of kindred spirit and success to press onward and upward to possess the land.

We need more laborers. "Pray ye therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send them to us."

I owe a great debt of gratitude to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for their invaluable aid in supporting the Missionaries, and to the Church Building Commission for substantial assistance in erecting chapels; and to private benefactors East and North whose timely and generous aid have made our marked progress possible. These combined forces have happily enabled us to accomplish results which have gladdened the souls of thousands. These means to real progress and evidence thereof have brought back to the Church of their fathers many who have strayed into other folds or lapsed into religious indifference. For them we will carry the Gospel into every part of Arkansas, and with them, later, Arkansas will go into all the world, and "preach the Gospel to every creature." May He to whom "all power is given in heaven and earth" bless abundantly our beloved helpers; and fulfill to us upon the frontier of the Southwest the promise, which is all our hope: "Lo I am with you always, even to the end of the world." Amen.

MISSIONARY WORK AMONG OUR COLORED POPULATION.

My appeals for Missionary aid at the North and East have been almost entirely on behalf of our Church extension work among the white people of Arkansas. But with the reasons why we should have Missionary help I generally made this short statement:

Among the 400,000 colored people of my Diocese we have only one little half-supported Mission. This unfortunate, almost hopelessly degraded people weighs heavily upon me, as it does upon every Bishop of the South. After three years of observation and study, it is a growing conviction with me that the Evangelistic problem presented in "Darkest Africa" is not a shade darker than it is in what might well be called "Darkest America." But I am also convinced that the evangelization of the American negro, though a great and long-continued effort will be required, is possible. Moreover I am fully persuaded that the Episcopal Church could, if it would, contribute more than any other body towards his salvation. Ours is perhaps not the type of religion that he naturally prefers and that he can most easily be persuaded to accept, but above all others, it is what he needs.

If I had the money with which to build chapels or rather halls at Pine Bluff, Helena, Marianna, Newport, Forrest City and other important places in the "Black Belt," our Clergy and people would

gladly maintain Industrial Schools, Sunday Schools and Mission Services. I could build and furnish a hall that would at the beginning answer every purpose of this most important Missionary work for \$1,000. I hope that before my return at Easter, God will put it into the hearts of some persons whom he has blessed with abundant means, each to give me \$1,000 for the erection of one of these much needed halls. I would be so glad if at least three of them could be built this year.

One of the results of this section of my appeal was the contribution of \$1,500 towards the building of Combination Industrial-Sunday-School-Chapel-Halls for the colored people of the "Black Belt" at places where we have a white church.

Another result of what little I had to say about the colored people in my appeals at the North and East was the frequent turning of conversation upon the colored problem.

Now I make no claims to be an authority upon this greatest philanthropic and political problem that confronts the Christian statesmen of this country, but judging from the eagerness of the people at the North and East to talk with me upon the subject, I seemed to have learned enough about it the four years that I have lived in the South to make myself quite interesting.

As I am a Northern man and lost my father in the Federal cause I do not hesitate in my addresses and conversations to say some pretty plain things, and I have reason to believe that my frank utterances generally have the effect of changing or at least modifying the views of those who think that the white people of the South are doing wrong in refusing to allow the negro to occupy the same political and social platform with them.

I show them in private conversation and public address that there is in this country no room on the upper political and social platform for any except the Anglo-Saxon race, and that in refusing to let the negro occupy it we are not discriminating against him; for the same is true of the Chinese, or Italians or Jews. I point out that history presents no instance of two races in any country occupying the same political and social platform. The dominant race always crowds the other off from the upper platform to a lower one. This may be theoretically wrong, but it has always been so and it will to all appearance continue to be so.

Having made this clear to my Northern brethren, I proceed to show them that, though the Southern people compel the negro to take a lower platform, yet it is a much higher and a more broader platform than is assigned him at the North. For I show that at the North the platform occupied by the negro is so far below that he seldom comes into contact with the white people. Not only is the Northern negro platform wanting in political and social planks but it contains hardly any industrial planks. Judging from what one hears of the love of Northern people for the negro

one would expect that their country would be, if not a political and social paradise, at least an industrial "clover field." But, as I always compelled those with whom I conversed to acknowledge, the negro has not only no political and of course no social standing at the North, but he has hardly any chance to make an honest living by work.

There are tens of thousands of negroes in New York and Philadelphia and yet, though I kept my eyes open to see what Northern philanthropists who criticize the Southern people for their neglect of the negro are doing for him, I saw only one coachman in all the streets of New York and Philadelphia. Of all the wagons that crowded the streets of those great centers of commerce, I did not see a single colored man. There was not a colored waiter in any of the hotels that I visited at the East. In all the private homes which I had the privilege of entering, I saw only one colored servant, and she was before the war a "mammy" who had come North with the family in which I found her. I did not see a single carpenter, mason or even hod-carrier, and not a shop hand. The only negroes that I saw doing anything were the porters on sleeping cars and the bell boys in some of the hotels.

Having pointed out the narrowness of the industrial platform which the negro is allowed to occupy at the North and contrasted it with the breadth of that platform at the South where he may and, as a matter of fact, does engage in every kind of employment from that of farmer and contractor and store keeper, I have no difficulty in persuading them that they live in glass houses and that they had better be careful about throwing stones.

You will remember that at my request made at the Council two years ago, you appointed a committee to act as my advisors in respect to any work among the colored people of this Diocese that I could see my way clear to take up. That committee consisted of two Clergymen, two Laymen, and two Lay women, all Southern people of standing in the Church and State. In due time I called it together, and we had what was to me a most interesting and instructive conference. I wish that our Northern Church people and friends could have heard the addresses and conversation which made the occasion one which I shall never forget.

It was agreed by all that the negro is here to stay, and that he is indispensable to the South. The Southern people, it was maintained, owe the negro a debt of gratitude for his service and it was their duty to do what they could to raise him from the mire of degradation into which he had sunken since the war. Not only does a sense of right and moral obligation require such an effort on the part of the white people on behalf of the colored race, but it is necessary as a self-protection, and as a solution to the Southern labor and servant problem which is growing more and more perplexing from year to year.

The practical result of my conference with our Advisory Committee on Colored Work was a recommendation that in my appeals for the Missionary field of Arkansas, I should call attention to the fact that we have a large colored population in this State for which the Episcopal Church is doing practically nothing; and that, if any contributions were forthcoming for this most important of all Missionary work, I should so far as possible erect combination Industrial-Sunday-School-and-Chapel-Halls in the more important places in the "Black Belt" where we have Parishes, so that the work could be superintended by the white Clergymen, and where white Industrial and Sunday School teachers would be available.

I made up my mind that I would take a year to think over the matter and reach my conclusions. Accordingly in Lent, 1901, I had comparatively little to say about the Missionary needs of the colored people, and I only received \$50 for work among them. Before this last Lent I had quite fully resolved upon the course to be pursued, and so I appealed in almost every address where I thought there was any hope of a response for money with which to build the combination halls. The result was, as already stated, \$1,515. This, with the \$50 received last year gives us \$1,565 for the building of halls.

You will be interested to know what I have decided upon as the course to be pursued in the Missionary work among the colored race of this Diocese.

1. In the first place I have decided to do all I can to get our Clergy and people to take an interest in this work.

2. What colored Missionaries we have are to be under the supervision of white Rectors in places where we have resident Clergymen, and under the Archdeacon at all other places.

3. As soon as the money and the proper man are available, I shall place a colored Minister at St. Philip's Mission, Little Rock, and make him a Missionary to the colored people in the Diocese. As time goes on other colored Ministers will be called according to our means and the needs of the field.

4. If the Council will agree to it, and make the necessary change in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, any colored Minister or Ministers that may be in the Diocese from this on shall with Lay representatives from colored Parishes and Missions constitute a Convocation, and such Ministers and Representatives shall not have a seat or voice in the Diocesan Council.

I will preside at the meetings of the colored Convocation and carry the resolutions passed by it to our Annual Council. The resolutions of the Convocation when approved by the Council will form additions to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese governing the colored Clergy and congregations.

A DIOCESAN SCHOOL.

John Ruskin said, "You do not educate a man by telling him what he knew not, but by making him what he was not." It should be the aim of every Church school to construct character rather than simply to impart information. The latter function is well performed by the public schools, and the former is by no means neglected in them.

Much as I desire to have a Diocesan school, or even schools, I realize that the public schools of Little Rock, Fort Smith, Helena, Pine Bluff, and other cities in our State are good, and would be hard to excel. Children and young people may obtain at any of these centers an excellent education almost "without money and without price" and I take pleasure in commending the public schools of Arkansas.

The moral and spiritual training of young people in connection with their secular and intellectual preparation for daily duties, is even better provided for by various religious bodies within this Commonwealth.

There is much truth in the proverb, "There is always room at the top;" and there is no use of our undertaking anything in the way of a Diocesan school unless we can take a position "at the top." Nor is there any use of founding even the best of Church schools for the children of our wealthier families, they can and will patronize Eastern and Northern schools.

If, therefore, we have a Diocesan school it must not only be a very superior institution so as to successfully compete with others already in the field, but it must also be within the reach of the poor so that it may be filled with pupils and meet a real need of Arkansas.

Now such a school, I estimate, would cost about \$50,000 for grounds, buildings, furniture and equipments; and it would also require an endowment of, say, \$100,000. No doubt such a foundation for either boys or girls would be an inestimable blessing to this State, and great advantage to our Diocese. But to undertake to launch a school and maintain on much less than \$150,000 would be in my humble judgment a useless and unjustifiable undertaking. I am willing that a fund should be created for a school with the understanding that it should accumulate by donations and interest until one of my distant successors shall be able to establish the kind of school that can be maintained without bringing him to a premature grave, and the only kind of a school that is really needed here.

This then is the sum of this school matter, as I work it out. Whatever we may undertake in the school line must be of a very superior order. Our Church families and others who desire to send their children and young people to schools of the Church outside of

Arkansas would continue to do so even though we established a school in Little Rock, unless it were at least equal to the schools in Texas, Tennessee and elsewhere. There is no feasible way for establishing a suitable and useful Diocesan school without a large sum of money for a plant and a much larger one for an endowment.

I am anxious that such a movement may be set in motion and to this end I desire that the Committee on Education may be enlarged and made a permanent one.

MY LENTEN EASTERN TRIP.

You are aware of the fact that in order to secure the \$4,500 conditionally pledged by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, I must raise \$5,500, so that in all I will have \$10,000 from year to year for the work of Church extension in the great Missionary field of this Diocese. As I have not dared to hope for more than \$1,000 of this \$5,500 from my own people, I am obliged annually to go North and East, for the purpose of trying to raise \$4,500.

I have chosen the Lenten season for this, the hardest and most uncongenial work which I am called upon by the duties of my position to do. Lent, besides being a reconciler to disagreeable tasks, offers exceptional opportunities for the making of Missionary appeals. During the whole of this past Lent, I have spoken from one to three times every day, Saturdays excepted. In all I made seventy-five addresses.

You will be glad to know that I have been blessed with success again, and that we have in hand, or in view, about \$1,000 more than enough to carry us through another year. Whatever the overplus may be, it will be devoted to some special purpose where it will in my judgment most promote the welfare of the Diocese.

It would be difficult and rather unsafe for me to bring to the Council all my lists of contributions and pledges to the Missionary work of Arkansas, received since the last Council. I therefore request that the Council appoint a special Auditing Committee of Little Rock business men who will go over my accounts and submit a report to the Secretary of the Council, for publication in the Journal.

FUND FOR ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL, HOT SPRINGS.

On August 23, 1901, I deposited with the First National Bank of Helena, \$66.48 as a special fund for St. John's Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark. This deposit and this fund owes its origin to a visitation made by me for the late Bishop of Long Island to a great institution officially known as the "Church Charity Foundation of Long Island," located in Brooklyn, N. Y. This Foundation

comprises two large homes for orphans, a great hospital, a home for the aged, a home for the blind, a sisterhood, and an order of trained nurses.

The object of my visit was to confirm a sick young man who was an inmate of the hospital. The man was wheeled into the chapel where a large congregation for a week day afternoon, composed about equally of adults and children, had assembled. After the confirmation the Rector of this interesting group of great institutions, the Rev. A. C. Bunn, M. D., requested me to tell the congregation something about Arkansas. I gladly complied with this courteous request, and when I had finished, the Doctor made some remarks, in the course of which he assured me that we would in due time hear from the Sunday School and congregation of the institutions, and suggested that perhaps their humble contributions might be the means of starting a hospital fund in Arkansas as a similar contribution had been in Indian Territory, and I think one or two other Missionary Districts which now have successful hospitals or infirmaries as they are generally called in the South.

While the good Doctor was talking I made up my mind that I would make the proposed contribution the nucleus of a fund for the building of a Diocesan Infirmary at Hot Springs, where such an institution would certainly accomplish much good. It may not, probably will not, be built in our day, but the fund for it has been started. It will receive additions by donations and interest until in the course of the generations to come our plans can be carried out.

EVANGELISTS.

In at least one other of my annual addresses to this Council, I have spoken of the necessity of watering and cultivating as well as planting in Mission fields. It is one thing to establish a Preaching or Mission Station and quite another to develop it into a self-supporting Parish. The developing will of course in a large measure necessarily be done by the Missionary in charge, with the helpful co-operation and assistance of our judicious and able General Missionary. But in some cases our Missionaries will be young Ministers or even Lay Readers without the experience and ability to do much for their Stations beyond the holding of the ordinary services of the Church weekly or monthly, according to the appointments fixed by me with the assistance of the Missionary Committee and Archdeacon. Some special efforts in the form of a ten days or two weeks continuous "Mission" services, or, if you please, "Revival" services, are needed. The Archdeacon has been making and will make some of these efforts. Perhaps I can count upon him for as many as three each year, but in view of all he has to do it would be unreasonable to expect more of him. We should have as many at least as ten of these Missions each year.

I wish and request that each one of our Clergy would prepare and offer themselves to hold one Mission annually. It would do them good, and I am convinced that so many Missions from our own Clergy would be a great spiritual uplift to the Diocese.

I am speaking particularly of the special efforts in the Mission field of the Diocese; but Missions would also be most helpful to our greater Parishes. The truth of what I say is abundantly illustrated by the splendid Parish in which we are meeting. The Rector has held occasional Missions in St. John's, Helena, almost from the beginning of his most exemplary pastorate, and as a consequence, he has, by the assistance of his Vestry and people, built up a constituency for the Church, which is, in proportion to the white population, altogether the largest in the Diocese. It is true that Archdeacons Barrett and Webber, two of the best Missionaries that the American Church has produced, have worked in this Parish and that probably no Clergyman in this Diocese or any neighboring Diocese can attract and hold such crowds and instruct them as these men; but it is also true that there is not a Clergyman in this Diocese who could not, if he would prepare for and hold a Mission, that would do much good at any place where he would volunteer to make the effort or where I would send him.

It would be well if the Clergy who are willing to take up this most important work for the Mission field of the Diocese, would notify me of the fact, telling me when they can most conveniently be available for the preaching of a Mission, I should then be able to select places where the time and man would suit best. In some cases it may be necessary to send a man to a distant part of the Diocese, but on behalf of the Missionary Committee, and congregation concerned, I will always guarantee expenses.

Please remember that I want a ten days Mission at least. I have but little faith in a shorter effort. Two or three weeks, and in some cases even four weeks, would be much better, but I fix upon ten days as the limit of time that a busy Parish Priest can give to the holding of a Mission.

I hope that someone among the Clergy will develop into such a successful Missioner as that he will be tempted to give up his regular pastoral work, and become the Diocesan Evangelist. I believe that such a Clergyman could receive a comfortable support with little or no appropriation from our Missionary Committee, and he certainly would do an immense amount of good. It is by earnest and skillful preaching more than by any other instrumentality that men will be brought to confess Christ, and it is by thorough and tactful instruction that they will be persuaded to identify themselves with the ancient Catholic Church of the Anglo-Saxon race. The salvation of the world depends upon "the foolishness of preaching," more than upon anything else.



Yes, we need preachers and instructors very much, and the Clergyman who will do what he can to meet this need will come back from the field more a man of God than when he went, and do better work in his Parish for months to come, than he otherwise would. There is, I am convinced, much truth in a remark that a prominent Rector once made to me about a man who was holding a Mission in his Parish. "This special preaching under special conditions certainly fills the preacher with the Holy Ghost as nothing else does." Your congregations may well afford to allow you to be away a Sunday or two, and to put up with the Lay Reading of Services and Sermons, and they will gladly do so after the first time or two for they will see that you bring back a new inspiration and power which is life giving to the Parish. Moreover, when they hear of the good that you have done in the Mission field of this great undeveloped Diocese, they will take satisfaction and pride in the fact that by letting you go, they are doing much for our Mission work and sharing with less fortunate Church people for a season the good things of your Ministry.

In addition to holding at least one Mission a year, at some place selected by the Bishop, would it not be possible for all of the Clergy also occasionally to hold a voluntary service in one of the accessible schoolhouses of neighboring country districts, say from five to ten miles distant? There is no doubt that the farming and planting communities throughout this State, and indeed nearly all States, are being neglected. The efforts of all Christian bodies are given to our cities and larger towns to the almost entire neglect of rural people. This is not right from an unselfish and Christian point of view, and it is a mistake from a selfish and Church point of view.

The people who are causing our cities to grow so rapidly, come chiefly from the country districts, and if we are wise enough to capture them with our schoolhouse services, when they move into the city will add a large and most helpful membership to our Parishes. It will usually be found that some of the younger Church workers, both men and women, of your Parish will be glad to accompany you to these country services, and that besides helping you to make the services attractive, they will be quickened by their own Parish work.

PERSONAL APPEALS.

It is very natural that persons, solemnly anxious for and enthusiastically desirous to erect a chapel, build a rectory, or found a school, should immediately undertake to secure funds to carry out the commendable intention. It is particularly the case in the new Southwest, and on the frontier, and in all rapidly developing portions of our country that people, seeing urgent needs,

should at once attempt to provide for the present, and anticipate the future. The needs are various and very pressing. Within the few years that I have been among you, besides many churches and rectories, several Industrial Schools and a Home for the Aged have been projected by earnest individuals.

All these and other institutions are much to be desired, and it is my purpose to give countenance and aid to such as early and as helpful as shall seem practicable. But it is not my purpose to aid or to acquiesce in indiscriminate appeals for financial assistance to establish any work or to inaugurate any movement. I am unwilling that any appeals shall be made for gifts or donations by any Clergyman or by any member of our Churches or Missions, except to those who may be strictly their personal friends.

It becomes my serious and arduous duty to go East and North every season to obtain help for our many and imperative needs. I am grateful for the cheerful and generous gifts presented to me, and without which our work would be seriously held back or depressed. And I regard it as undesirable and perhaps unjust to make other appeals to the same benevolent constituency. Other and cogent reasons might be given for referring to the matter. Suffice it to say that, before any appeals are made for donations outside of your respective Parishes or Missions, except to personal friends, it is my wish that the same shall first be submitted to me.

If I find that this reasonable wish and request are disregarded, any pledge that I may have made for the undertaking in hand will become null and void.

RITUALISM.

In the August 10, 1901, issue of "The Living Church," appeared a leading editorial devoted to the Bishop of Arkansas under the caption, "An Episcopal Mistake." As soon as I could get to it, I sent in an answer which was published in the issue of August 31, 1901. As no reply was made to it, I have reason to hope that the editor and any who sympathized with him were satisfied that after all I made no very great mistake when in my last address I discouraged the use of excessive and unnecessary Ritualism in this weak, though very extensive and exceedingly promising Missionary Diocese. The reply, judging from letters of congratulations received, seems moreover to have been widely noticed, and to have given general satisfaction. I think it well, therefore, to make it a part of my address as, for some time to come, a final word on the subject of Ritualism.

"I want most sincerely and warmly to thank you for your many kind and helpful words in the editorial entitled 'An Episcopal Mistake,' that appeared in the August 10, 1901, issue of your excellent publication.



"I am not a controversialist, and even if I were, my gratitude for your words which commend and encourage our Missionary work would prevent me from an attempt to systematically and fully answer your criticisms of that part of my last annual address to our Council which relates to the perplexing subject of Ritual. And yet, by your kind permission, I beg briefly to refer to what you have said as to genuflecting, altar lights, my predecessor, and the position taken by me in 'The Church for Americans.'

"1. Genuflecting at the name of Jesus in the Creeds is among the things that I am willing the Clergy of the Cathedral should practice, if they must genuflect anywhere. And the statement 'The Living Church' that 'the more quiet and usual bowing of the head would seem to us to be sufficient,' is exactly in line with what I intended to express. As a matter of fact the Bishop, Deacon and Archdeacon do no more than what is recommended by 'The Living Church.' We simply bow our heads at the name of Jesus in the Creeds.

"2. May I also thank you for pointing out the fact that 'Bishop and Almighty God happily agree' in the matter of Altar Lights? I would, however, feel under added obligations, and doubt some of your readers would have felt the same, if you had quoted all that I said on the subject of candles. Experiments in the use of them are proving and have proved failures in the Missionary work of Arkansas. Testimonies on these points are numerous and emphatic. And in regard to all of my restrictions and permissions, time will prove their fallacy or their wisdom. There was, I thought, in some quarters, a disposition to magnify the ceremonial at the expense of the sermon. It is my desire that the beauty of the service shall not overshadow the 'foolishness of preaching.' Our Missionaries are 'fishers of men,' and this being the case, it is not expedient for them to adorn the rod and neglect the bait.

"3. It was necessary, even to the extent of being well-nigh impossible, to deal with the pressing question of Ritual, without making mention of my most learned and highly venerated predecessor. If, in the Providence of God, I am followed in the Apostolic Succession by one who shall be, in type of Churchmanship, as different from me as I am from the late Bishop Pierce, my friends will have no reason to complain, should he deal as generously with the customs I have established as I have with those I found in the Cathedral. It was not my intention to reflect, in the least, upon my predecessor.

"4. I continue ready to stand by all that I had to say in 'The Church for Americans' about the value to the Church of the so-called Catholic movement, especially in its earlier stages, and I believe the services of St. Paul's, London, and Trinity, New York

will ultimately be recognized as the standard services of the Anglican Communion. But under present conditions I could not if I would, and would not if I could, introduce such services at my Cathedral. And if the circumstances are such as to make the introduction of the standard services both impossible and inexpedient in the city of Little Rock, in my humble judgment, and I believe that the editor of 'The Living Church' and most sensible people will agree with me, it would be nothing less than absurd and suicidal to encourage the Ritualism of the average Ritualist in the Mission field in Arkansas. Moreover, while our Diocese remains a Mission field, and receives outside help, it would be wrong to attempt the introduction of even the standard services, to say nothing about the ceremonialism of those who pattern after Mediævalism rather than St. Paul's, London, and Trinity, New York, because such services are much more expensive than the simple, undecorated services of the Prayer Book, which are all that the great majority of our people want, and more than they can pay for. As I have insisted in more than one of my Council addresses, in such a Diocese as Arkansas we ought to be satisfied with the necessities of worship, until we are able, without outside assistance, to pay for the luxuries of worship.

"Personally I have no objection to some of the things which I have forbidden at the Cathedral and discouraged in the Diocese, especially in the Mission field; but I believe that the introduction of any of them into our services would, for the present, be inexpedient, and in several instances it would, in my judgment, be a violation of the laws and traditions of our Reformed Communion.

"Few will be more happy to learn than 'The Living Church,' that the Church in Arkansas has manifested no disposition to enter upon a controversy over my rulings for the Cathedral. This testimony, I believe, will be received with deep thankfulness by all who are vitally interested in this great Missionary field. No one more than the editor will rejoice that the statement in the editorial, 'the apparent unwisdom of opening a Ritual controversy, in which men are bound to differ, in such a Diocese as Arkansas,' is a statement which, so far as I know, lacks in nothing so much as in proof.

"And again I thank the editor of 'The Living Church' for his valuable and highly appreciated testimony in the following words: 'The problem to be solved in Arkansas is not Ritual, but Missions, and that problem is being solved.'

"The one overwhelming, consuming desire of myself and the great majority of our Clergy is to present the Holy Apostolic Church with its authority and attractiveness to as many as possible of the fourteen hundred thousand souls of my Diocese.

"The Living Church' has rightly pronounced the 'mere Ritualist' as 'the most useless of all Churchmen.' The Laity of Arkansas and the great majority of the Clergy perhaps, with almost one mouth and one voice, would say Amen to that characterization. The size, in each new community, of the Churchly beacon fire, kindled by the Missionary, will depend largely upon the intensity and industry of the people enlisted in gathering the wood. The people rally to men of piety and wisdom, of tact and love, of simplicity and charity. Perhaps this is as true of this State as it can be of any equal area under our flag. Arkansas is a great and needy State. When I see that a 'mistake' has been made, I shall hasten to correct it. Meanwhile, I shall not be aggrieved at those who, for the love of the work, publish their impressions.

"Arkansas is a strategic State hitherto almost untouched, but now rapidly developing. It is a healthful, fruitful, well-watered, richly stored with minerals, and for the most part densely timbered region, where thousands are seeking fortunes and homes. No Missionary, whatever his privations, buries himself in hopeless endeavor in this commonwealth; but, if wise and consecrated, he is at once a co-operative force with commerce, and allied to God. And the Church cannot prosper in Arkansas, except as it is active and Missionary, in the fullest sense. In this, 'The Living Church' and the Bishop of Arkansas are fully agreed. Pray for us. We will do all we can to speed on the work. Time is long-winged, and sleepless; the Church must be awake. Time flies right on, dipping his hoary plume in eternity's sea. We must not tarry long with points in dispute, but labor on, spend and be spent, to make all Arkansas the Lord's."

REPORTS OF MISSIONARIES.

From the time when it was my privilege to enter upon Episcopal duty in this Missionary Diocese, it was my settled purpose to inaugurate some system of reports by our Missionaries, and those doing Missionary service.

I presented the subject to my constituted advisers, the Board of Managers for Diocesan Missions, and my intention touching this matter was unreservedly and unanimously adopted. After considerable delay in order to make sure that no mistake would be made by inconsiderate haste, I incorporated the idea into my Missionary policy. Carefully prepared blanks were printed and mailed to every one receiving a Missionary grant.

I requested that beginning with September 1, of last year, all Missionaries should make quarterly reports to me.

The information sought and furnished by this feature of our policy is of interest to the board, and helpful to the Bishop. By referring to them impressions may be gained as to the measure

of service rendered and results accomplished. In Missionary work as in many things, publicity is an aid to efficiency. It has been demonstrated in many Dioceses, that quarterly reports contribute to the betterment of the work represented. And it is certainly the simplest and most evident principle that those who are called upon to appropriate public funds, whether secular or sacred, should require stated reports representing the service performed and the results attained.

CLOSING WORDS ABOUT THE COUNCIL, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH,
HELENA, AND THE RECTOR.

The Bishop and several of the Clergy remained at Helena over Sunday. Archdeacon Williams and Dr. Norton addressed the Sunday School, and the Rev. Mr. Dowling preached at the morning service. Archdeacon Williams preached at the night service, which was regarded as the closing service of the Council. Before giving the blessing, the Bishop spoke as follows:

"I want to say a few words about the Thirtieth Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas which has just been held in your hospitable Parish and is now a matter of record and history.

"I venture to prophesy that, as time goes on, it will be recognized as one of the most important and far reaching of all our Councils. Considerable legislation which is sure to have a great influence upon the future growth and development of the Diocese was accomplished.

"1. A committee on education was established and this means that some time in the future there will be Diocesan schools for boys and girls of high character and within the reach of parents of very moderate means.

"2. Permanent and, so far as such a thing is possible, absolutely safe provision was made for the care of any and all gifts to the Diocese from benefactors whom God may raise up for us from within or without.

"3. Steps were taken looking to the making of better provision for our aged and infirm Clergy and the families of deceased Clergymen.

"4. Provision was made for the rapid reduction of the debt on the Episcopal residence so that it will almost certainly be paid off within three years. After that, when it becomes necessary for the Diocese to elect a new Bishop, it will be in a position to offer him a salary of \$3,000, with one of the best Episcopal residences in the country.

"5. I want to raise \$1,000 per year for our Diocesan Missions and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society wants us to raise \$1,500 for the General Missionary work of the Church, exclusive of what the Sunday Schools and Woman's Auxiliary raise.

We concluded to apportion the whole amount, \$2,500, equitably among all our congregations and to do all we can to raise it. Every Parish is to send all its collections for Missions to Mr. H. C. Rather, Citizens National Bank, Little Rock, who will retain 4 per cent for our Diocesan work and forward 60 per cent to the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

"6. The most noteworthy of all our exceptionally important legislation provides for the beginning of Missionary work among the colored people of this Diocese on a new basis. The Canon passed reads as follows: 'The colored work of this Diocese shall be organized into a Convocation in which every canonically resident and employed colored minister shall have a seat, and every duly organized Parish and Mission Station of colored people shall be entitled to representation by three Laymen. The Bishop or his duly appointed representative is to be the ex-officio chairman of the Convocation. All constitutional canonical measures adopted by the Convocation, in order to become law, shall first be presented to and ratified by the annual Diocesan Council. No colored priest or deacon shall be entitled to a seat in the Council of this Diocese and no colored congregation shall be entitled to representation in it. Provided, that this exclusion shall not apply in the case of any colored rector or Parish which has heretofore been admitted to the Diocesan Council.'

"This Canon will not become law until it has been finally adopted by our next Council, but as there were only two dissenting voices, one Clergyman and one Layman, who were not opposed to the substance of the Canon, it is morally certain of adoption.

"I have thought it well to make these brief comments about the importance of the Council which has just been held in your midst. It goes without saying that it was an unusually harmonious Council, for otherwise it would have been impossible to have discussed and passed so many important measures.

"I believe that our harmony and success was largely due to the fact that we met in St. John's Parish, Helena, which is one of the most harmonious and successful Parishes in this or any other Diocese. I cannot imagine a wrangling Council being held in St. John's, Helena. Such a Council would be entirely out of place among this dignified and earnest people who have the great interests of the Church so much at heart.

"I have no doubt that your good Rector is glad to have me do you the justice of saying these things of his beloved people, and I am sure that you would be disappointed if I were to close without some reference of appreciation relating to him.

"It appears from the official clergy list of this Diocese that your Rector came among you just ten years before I became one of your Bishops. No Rector who has ever administered in the State of Arkansas has done more for his Parish and his Diocese than the Rev.

Charles Harry Lockwood, B. D. He has been with you thirteen years and is just entering on his fourteenth year, and within those years he has with your co-operation built St. John's up so that in nearly every element of strength it is our first Parish, and this, in spite of the fact that Helena is, compared with Little Rock, Fort Smith, Hot Springs and other cities, a very small place. Mr. Lockwood has been president of the Standing Committee and senior delegate to the General Convention for many years. Under the old Convocation system he was dean of the Helena Convocation, and under the new system inaugurated by the last Council he is Canon of the same Convocation. He is the senior member of our Diocesan Missionary Committee. I have always thought that he should have been your Bishop, and I have no doubt that if he had not refused to let his name go before the Council that elected me, I would have never had the great privilege of knowing you and him and his attractive, exemplary and helpful family.

"This is nearly the twenty-fifth anniversary of your beloved Rector's ordination, and I believe the twenty-fourth of his happy marriage. Bishop Brooks, more widely known as Phillips Brooks, once said: 'Set yourselves earnestly to see what you were made to do and then set yourselves earnestly to do it.' That is evidently the view that Rev. and Mrs. Lockwood have taken of life, and their children give promise of doing the same. Together these two servants of the Lord have given thirteen years of loving ministry to the city of Helena.

'Oh, Time! Forego thy wonted spite
And lay on them thy future lashes light.'

"Your Rector in the thirteen years of guardianship and guidance of the Parish of St. John's has yielded you the best portion of his life. He has taught you faithfully the truth as it is in Jesus and he has led you onward and upward.

"Henry Drummond said: 'Were it mine to build a city, the first stone I should lay would be the foundation stone of a church.' The Rev. Mr. Lockwood when he came among you was imbued with the same idea. He has guided you wisely and well through what is always a critical undertaking—the successful building of a beautiful and expensive temple of worship. And here it stands a channel of spiritual nourishment, a stimulus to holy deeds, a link with holy lives, a memorial to the goodness of souls who have gone on before, and a monument to all who prepared the way for and took part in its erection.

"God bless this people, this priest and his family. Give them all in their several stations according to their needs grace to daily increase in His Holy Spirit more and more until they come unto Thy everlasting kingdom. Amen!"

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APPENDIX II.

REPORT OF SECRETARY BOARD OF MANAGERS, DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Board of Managers of the Diocesan Missions of Arkansas met in Little Rock, May 13, and December 12, 1901; also at Helena, May 13, 1902.

Every meeting of the board was opened with prayer by the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas, ex-officio president of the board.

The following persons constitute the members of the present board: Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. W. D. Buckner, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. H. C. Rather, treasurer of the board, and Mr. N. B. Trulock, secretary of the board.

As a rule the board meets at the call of the Bishop, three or four times a year—depending somewhat upon circumstances, and urgent Diocesan business.

The treasurer's (Mr. H. C. Rather's) reports show the receipts from all sources to be seven thousand, six hundred and eighty-six dollars and ninety-five cents (\$7,686.95). The Diocese of Arkansas contributed one thousand, sixty-eight dollars and twenty-two cents (\$1,068.22) of said amount. The disbursements were \$6,986.08, leaving a balance on hand of \$700.87.

Archdeacon Rhames and Williams, presented on several occasions a detailed account of the work done in their districts, which proved highly encouraging. They also presented several deeds to lots and buildings containing churches and rectories in both finished and unfinished condition, showing a commendable degree of interest by the people in Church extension work in their various localities, betokening a wide-awake zeal in the furtherance and upbuilding of our Diocese. This going out into the highways and byways, carrying the news of the Gospel of Christ, the board earnestly hopes will, in the near future, produce fruit of incalculable worth, and at the same time bring our Diocese up to the standard of other flourishing Dioceses in America.

Considerable time has been consumed in discussing the colored people's work in the Diocese, which the board deems of great importance, and have considered the matter from various standpoints, endeavoring to do their full duty, believing they need and deserve recognition; and at the same time extend the right hand of fellowship in such a manner that embarrassment will not ensue to the detriment of either, but to the advancement of all. Therefore, no immediate action has been taken, for further investigation is deemed expedient in order to accomplish the desired end, hoping in the near future to consummate and put in force a happy solution of the problem.

N. B. TRULOCK,

Secretary of Board.

APPENDIX III.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

We, the Committee on the State of the Church, beg leave to report the following and record our profound gratitude to Almighty God for another year of remarkable progress throughout the Diocese. Each year seems blessed with a forward movement.

Within the past twelve months \$1,068.22 have been contributed by the Churches, Missions, and Preaching Stations for Diocesan Missions. Chapels have been built at Lake Village, Lonoke, Foreman, Booneville and a church building purchased at Conway, the whole aggregating a value of at least \$7,000.

A rectory has been built at Mena and Jonesboro, respectively. Hope has purchased a valuable property, in a central situation, for a prospective new church. It has a good residence, which will be used for a rectory. The new rectory at Pine Bluff, perhaps the finest in the State, has been finished, furnished and is occupied by the Rector's family.

The Parish church at Fort Smith has been improved to the extent of over \$1,200. Trinity, Van Buren, has been greatly favored with necessary terrace walls and sidewalk, all paid for, and an oak pulpit, with a thousand dollars for an endowment, are among the timely gifts to that Parish. Christ Church, Little Rock, will have a six thousand dollar organ in the early autumn, the Vestry having made a contract to that effect with one of the leading organ firms of the country. St. Luke's, Hot Springs, by a magnificent effort on Easter Day, made an offering clearing the Parish of all indebtedness and their handsome church will be consecrated on June 1. This is the first time in the history of the Parish that the flock of God in that interesting city of the Ozarks could say that they owe no man anything. The Cathedral has steadily increased in power and influence, and substantial improvements have been made in its surroundings. The Diocesan School of Theology, inaugurated by our Bishop last December, held a very successful session, and it promises to be a valuable contribution to the means of promoting the interests of the Kingdom of God in our commonwealth.

The little church at Searcy, consecrated less than two years ago, was destroyed by lightning in March. With Christian fortitude the little band have endured, unflinchingly, their loss; and are busy preparing to rebuild. Tokens of sympathy have greatly encouraged them, and the willing gift of the organ, now used in Christ Church, Little Rock, has inspired them to noble purposes for the erection of a substantial chapel in the early future.

Baptisms have exceeded the number of those of last year, and confirmations have nearly equalled the highest number in the history of the Diocese. Services of the Church have been held in more places and counties than ever before, and a promising guild has been organized in Harrison, the county seat of Boone County, and the distributing center for the zinc fields of northern Arkansas. Missionary services have been resumed in Russellville, in some respects the most important town between Little Rock and Fort Smith.

Evidences abound of an awakening to righteousness. The state of the Church shows a deepening as well as a widening of her spiritual power. The small Missions, no less than the large Parishes, are sharing in the onward and upward trend, and they who do the best their circumstances allow,

"Do well, act nobly—Angels could do no more."

The attention of your committee has been called to a slight misunderstanding in regard to the Diocesan assessment. It is sometimes called an assessment for the Bishop's salary. It does include the small, meager stipend, but only as that is one of several items, and though the largest of the items still one of several. As we believe there can be no church without a Bishop it is logical that his salary should be the primary, and an essential part of the current expenses of the Diocese. It is never too late to correct a mistake, and if any Parish or Mission has not been fully informed on this important matter, it may be well that they should carefully consider it.

The Church in this State is to be earnestly congratulated upon having a residence for the Bishop. The house is centrally located, well built, and admirably appointed for the needs of the occupants. Nothing could have been secured, in the judgment of the committee authorized to make a selection, to better advantage, or at a more reasonable price.

It is evident that the Church throughout the State has continued to bless and be blessed. This has, in a great measure, been promoted and extended through the prayers and benefactions of Christian people, East and North. We are glad to acknowledge the indispensable aid which, under God's blessing, has enabled the Diocese to attain such material, numerical and spiritual achievement, that we may say with the Psalmist: "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Respectfully submitted,

G. GORDON SMEADE,

R. W. RHAMES,

W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.

MR. P. K. ROOTS,

MR. N. B. TRULOCK,

Committee.

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER BOARD OF MANAGERS.
DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand May 7, 1902	\$2,168.73
From Domestic and Foreign Missions	4,450.00
From Mammoth Spring	2.90
From Trinity Church, Little Rock.	34.90
From Washington	18.37
From Van Buren.. ..	43.35
From Marianna	44.35
From Jonesboro	11.82
From St. Paul's, Little Rock	5.40
From Pulaski Heights, Little Rock ...	4.45
From Christ Church, Little Rock	209.61
From Arkansas City	6.50
From Fort Smith	71.25
From Searcy	7.95
From Helena	200.00
From Forrest City	12.30
From Devall's Bluff	1.00
From Brinkley	5.10
From Batesville.. ..	13.34
From Morrilton	20.10
From Conway	4.56
From Hot Springs	32.50
From Pocahontas	13.00
From Paragould	9.85
From Pine Bluff	75.00
From Osceola	17.35
From Black Rock	3.20
From Clarendon	.95
From Hope	29.50
From Camden	2.75
From Eureka Springs	1.30
From Nashville	6.00
From Newport	10.00
From Prescott	7.50

From Foreman	\$ 15.00
From Booneville	6.95
From Siloam Springs	5.35
From Lake Village	3.10
From Lonoke	2.25
From Mena	9.50
From Monticello	1.75
From Winslow	1.45
From Dermott	5.60
From Dumas	4.65
From Warren	3.75
From Mansfield	3.10
From Magazine	2.75
From Gurdon	14.25
From Baring Cross	1.85
From Russellville	3.37
From Charleston	1.40
From El Dorado	2.25
From Berryville	4.75
From Harrison	9.25
From Rogers	3.40
From Fulton	11.00
From Gillham	1.50
From Ozan	3.10
From Perla	85
From Paris	2.00
From Oak Lodge	18.00
Total.....	<u>\$7,686.95</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Bishop Wm. M. Brown	\$1,054.35
Rev. W. D. Williams	2,127.60
Rev. R. W. Rhames	1,566.94
Rev. J. B. Whaling	140.00
Rev. A. Miller	200.00
Rev. W. P. Brown	75.00
Rev. E. J. Hall	60.00
Rev. J. J. Vaulx	140.00
Rev. G. B. Norton	270.00

Rev. J. J. Cornish	\$ 160.00
Rev. E. A. Neville	108.35
Rev. L. S. Shermer	50.00
Rev. J. C. France	200.00
Rev. L. R. F. Davis	125.00
Rev. C. H. Lockwood	3.75
Rev. C. D. Lafferty	35.00
Rev. J. W. Barker...	75.00
Rev. A. M. Treschow	60.00
Mr. S. R. McAlpin	210.00
Mr. W. D. Williams..	43.75
Mr. N. B. Trulock	3.00
Mr. John Gatling	6.20
Mr. T. W. Yeakle, Treasurer	266.64
Stamps, Postage and Revenue	5.00
Total	6,986.08
Balance on hand May 10, ...	\$ 700.87

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER,

Treasurer.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK, BY VEN. W. D. WILLIAMS,
D. D., ARCHDEACON OF ARKANSAS.

"O Master, let me walk with Thee,
In lonely paths of service free.
Tell me Thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care."

So sang the poet. So prays the Missionary, as he recounts some of the glad experiences of another year, and anticipates the anxious cares of multiplied duties.

It has been a busy year. The toil has been varied and arduous. Your General Missionary has had little leisure, and abundant health, generous hospitality and Christian kindness, from those within the Church and from those without.

Next to the continued and loving fellowship of our own people, I feel gratefully constrained to mention the uniform welcome and kindness of pastors and peoples of the various denominations. I recall one good preacher who kindly reminded me that his denomination was not a daughter of our Apostolic Church, but a sister—as Leah and Rachael, and I wondered which might be Rachel; and I

reminded him that the nativity of the sisters, in his comparison, represented a difference of more than seventeen hundred years. He kindly allowed me the use of his church, as have some others, and cordially invited me to come again.

It has been my privilege to hold services and preach in thirty-four of our seventy-five counties. To accomplish this humble service it has been necessary to travel nearly twenty thousand miles, and all within the State of Arkansas. To the youthful mind, which views the commercial traveller, with his array of trunks and valises, as an individual to be envied, this is an inspiring statement. And, to an occasional stranger in some inland hamlet where an Archdeacon has never been seen, your General Missionary is almost as lordly a potentate as the first passenger conductor ever seen by that rustic, with his blue uniform and brass buttons and look so stern and face so serious. But your General servant has always found a welcome, as hospitable within the humblest dwelling as the climate in August is warm without.

A more intimate knowledge of your representative's work has invariably dispelled a great many persistent and sundry illusions, and dissipated scores of harmless suspicions. The people are inclined to hear gladly the Gospel message, by whomsoever proclaimed; and the more I see and the more I know the common people of village and valley, hill and mountain, the more kind and real to me are the words of Bishop Potter: "I am jealous for the moral standards of plain people." Their Christian lives, which have survived without repeating our time-honored and beloved creeds and liturgy, vital and satisfying to us, are beginning to find comfort and inspiration in publicly reciting with us the fundamental truths of our holy religion. Next to the satisfaction of having what we believe nobly expressed in words, is the delight of seeing others share with us, in rehearsing the Apostle's Creed, and the canticles of the Church. We shall win the world, when the world feels that we have been won to Christ.

It is a pleasure to live in Arkansas and see what developments man is making, and what blessings God is giving. If traveling were my only or my principal achievement, I could weep over wasted hours. I rejoice that I have baptised thirty-one souls, ranging in age from the sweetest infant to the aged sire. Hardly any of these would have received this holy ordinance had it not been for my poor peripatetic ministry.

In Booneville, at the chapel of the Ascension, on the last Monday of April, our beloved Bishop confirmed a class of five; the first confirmation service ever held in Logan County, and in that class was a dear, aged man, midway between eighty and ninety years of age, who, in all probability, would never have been so much as baptised had it not been for the benevolent East enabling the General Missionary to do his work.

As the waves of the sea cast up all sorts of things, so the waves of humanity that flood the frontiers cast up all sorts and conditions of men. Almost everywhere I go I am expected to preach and I have imperfectly performed this duty no less than two hundred and fifty times within the year. Without consulting my own volition, I have spoken a few words in a Presbyterian protracted meeting, and prayed in a Methodist revival. I have presided over Vestry meetings; addressed Ladies' Guilds and Auxiliary meetings; taught in Sunday Schools, and superintended them. I have advised committees, visited the sick and those in prison, addressed five different public schools, and written letters of love to all parts of the State. Monotony is not one of the troubles of the Archdeacon. And as frogs never croak in running streams, but always in stagnant water, so there has been given me no opportunity to murmur or complain.

I have had some part in the building of chapels, the repairing of churches, and the canceling of debts, all under the direction of our Diocesan, and encouraged by some of the best ministers God ever gave a Diocese. Without that direction and assistance, these results could not have been attained. It is seldom given a General Missionary to choose the exact time and place in which his labors shall be performed. Privileges are the gift of God, service and attainment are the duty of man. Without the self-abnegating efforts, and sanctified tact and co-operation of Clergy and Lay Missionaries, the best circumstances would have produced no results.

But what of the future? "Watchman! What of the night?" I say it solemnly, sacredly. We have only just passed the midnight hour. The breaking dawn is drawing near. We are passing, happily, I hope, out of the period of a tendency to criticism. We will also do well to avoid the equally destructive tendency to mechanism. Prejudices grow like weeds, and there are still prisons of narrow mechanism for men to abandon.

There are forty counties in which our Church holds services. In some these services are irregular, and not well sustained. Sometimes I preach to a houseful, but often to a handful. Services have been inaugurated the past year in Dermott, Russellville, Berryville, Harrison, and Wynne. All these give promise of life and prosperity; while other places are anxiously awaiting the advent of the Church. And towns left without a service of any kind for years, and which are always the hardest of all places in which to get a footing, have urged us to occupy the vacancy. Oh! how straightened such places are! What patience! What godliness! What faith! Whosoever works there must have to be a winner of souls. In one of those places a Missionary went and ministered and preached. After the service he was entertained by a godly woman who, apologetically, said: "I wish I had a better place for you. You will have to sleep upstairs. Be careful, for you can't

stand up in that room." Bless her good, hospitable heart and home. The Master will some day say to the angels: "She hath done what she could." And what did it matter that the ceiling was low, for Archdeacons never sleep standing up.

Once leave the railways, even for a few miles, in some parts of the State, and soon you can get to settlements seventy years old, which have yet to see the first buggy come into the clearings. Here are deep forests, where the preacher, on his way home from a circuit, must ford rivers, and is often in danger of getting mired in bottomless soil. God bless the frontier preachers. They are the nation's cheapest policemen. As a nation, we owe a debt we can never repay to these earnest, honest, Soldiers of the Cross at the front. They may not welcome our Clergy, but they are in vital relations to all the towns and cities, from which they seem so far removed. There is hardly an occasion, on Sundays, when I am privileged to speak in Little Rock, Fort Smith, Hot Springs, or the larger places, but that I have the pleasure of meeting one or more people from inland places in the House of God.

This country is sure to go forward. Arkansas is destined to be great. New railroads are building in almost every direction, and others in contemplation. Construction camps may be seen from Harrison toward Little Rock; from Batesville toward the northwest; from Ashdown toward New Orleans; from Fayetteville for Oklahoma, and from Fort Smith toward the Pacific coast. They are building over valleys and swamps, across ponds and streams, where the original settler paddled his skiff and caught cat fish and ague at the same time and still lives to tell the story.

There is always a paying price and an abundant market for the earliest and the best. Early berries from Van Buren; early potatoes from Fort Smith; early spring chickens from Helena, and early vegetables from everywhere in Eastern Arkansas. They are only just beginning to be heralded in Eastern and Northern cities. The demand will increase without lessening the price. And why not? For the pickers are gathering strawberries in Arkansas while the gentle snow still mantles the gardens in Michigan, and invalids in Hot Springs are eating Garland County cucumbers before the seed is sown in Ohio.

The possibilities are here; the climate we have; the people are coming. It is of the utmost importance that we shall have Missionaries sufficient in number to meet urgent needs and pressing demands, so that the desert shall blossom like the rose, and the wilderness shall be glad for them. Save Arkansas and we shall aid in saving the world. And when we know how to save our own State, we shall know how to save the heathen world. While godly people of the East are striving to build one hundred thousand dollar places of worship in the opulent cities, thanks be to God they

are also aiding our Bishop to renovate and redeem the real temples of humanity, for the indwelling of the Holy Ghost. The neglected are being sought. The fallen are being lifted up, and the perishing are being saved. Arkansas for the Church and the Church for Arkansas is the slogan of our Bishop and the goal of our Board; and let all the people say, Come, Lord Jesus, Come.

APPENDIX VI.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK, BY REV. J. W. BARKER, D. D.

My field lies in the extreme southeast of the Diocese, along the Mississippi River, and fifty miles to the west, including a part of the hills and extending from the State of Louisiana to the Arkansas River, forty miles above its mouth—a distance of about one hundred miles.

It includes two counties, Chicot and Desha, and a part of Drew County. I have, at present, six Missions, Lake Village, Arkansas City, Monticello, Medford, Dumas and Dermott. But, in my territory, there are at least six other places (towns) which ought to be looked after.

Fifty by a hundred miles is quite a slice out of the Missionary territory of the Diocese. But while, perhaps, it is not as large as that worked by other Missionaries, in its character, in comparison, I imagine it is like the heart of the melon. For I believe that there is no part of the State, of such extent, that is so fertile. I am sure there is no part of the United States more so.

I need not tell the other stories which I have heard of men hardly being able to reach the tops of the cotton stalks from on horseback, or of some of the land producing two bales of cotton per acre, or the story, in which it was claimed that before the Civil War the section which I occupy was so rich and influential that Washington and Wall street had been compelled to confer with the representatives from here before deciding important measures or entering upon colossal financial schemes.

Chicot County, before the war, was the wealthiest district in proportion to the white population in the United States.

Not cultivating more than one-fourth of the land and declaring a dividend when the war began of \$1,200 per capita for every man, woman and child.

This section was then called the "Eden of Arkansas."

A wealthy planter said to me, "When I came here, the Protestant Episcopal Church people had enough money to have built a Cathedral in Lake Village costing \$100,000 and not feel it, or miss the money."

But while these people have lost the wealth which they had invested in slaves, they still own the lands and their part of the State possesses to-day greater possibilities than ever before, and suffice it to say that my mission is to the people in the center of the richest cotton belt in the United States, and that one of the hopes of my field lies in the fact that the soil is productive.

Development and prosperity of the State insures the development and prosperity of the Church.

Development in this part of the State which may have been slower than elsewhere of recent years, is assured and rapid. The main line of railroad and the two lines which cross it in my new field cannot even now handle the traffic as it must be done.

Hence another trunk line of railroad is being built between the other one and the Mississippi River of stronger bed and iron for heavier trains and of shorter route, for quicker transportation from St. Louis to New Orleans, and it is to lie like a great pulsating, life-giving artery right through the heretofore sleepy and lethargic fields and forest.

It is to bring the machinery and capital, and to do away with one of the greatest hindrances to our progress, the defying river, and then it is to bring in the husbandman with his industry and enterprise, and to convey his products to the markets of the world.

My field is to have the shipping advantage of four railroads and two rivers.

There is another reason for hope:

The ancestors of my people were industrious and enterprising and progressive; they were accustomed to spend their means for what they needed and wanted, and in response to every demand of the public spirit, and their descendants have inherited their disposition, and I believe that there is nothing demanded of them in reason and within their power, but what they are willing to do. I held a service, the second in ten years, where there was only one communicant, and the offering amounted to more than \$8.

I asked a man who was not a communicant, to collect the amount of the Diocesan assessment and he sent his own check. A man who was not a member of the Church and whose family are Methodists, proposed to send a team twenty miles to the railroad station that I might visit him. Another man, thirty miles from the railroad, proposed to send a team for me even in the busy season, in order that I might hold a service, and gave a hearty reception. I speak of these things to show how willing the people are to do something for the Church.

So, on account of the natural wealth and liberal spirit of these people of this valley section of the State, I have hope for the Church, and for these reasons the Diocese should make every effort to lay the foundation of the Church in the rich, fruitful soil of this American Nile.

I have hope of my field on another account—the intelligence of the people.

Even in small towns and purely country places, the intelligence of the people is above the average of that in any section of the two Southern and in the three Northern States, in which I have lived and labored.

Many of the young people are sent away to college because there is no college in this part of the State, and they return with the ability to understand and appreciate the superior advantages and blessings which the Church has to offer them, and so the Church appeals to this class as she never does or can do to any other class.

And then the stability of my people's character is a ground for hope. My Missions have not had a minister in charge of them, except for a short while, since the Civil War, nearly forty years, with only few services and sometimes ten or more years between them, while the other religious bodies have always been on the ground with their services and ministers and influence, and yet my people have not been absorbed by any of them.

In one instance, four members of the church, for many years without services or a Clergyman, retained their identity against the strain of the influence of 500 neighbors and an influential minister. In a country place many years ago, a Union Chapel was built and has been occupied by various ministers, by a priest of the Church for only a little while. I found that community ten years after here had been a single service by a Clergyman of the Church have one, and still most of the citizens were Episcopalians, and now the building seems deserted except by myself and congregation. Imagine the future when such people shall have been grounded in the faith—how strong and durable shall their influence be.

It pays the Church to work a material that is not easily bent or distorted by any wind of doctrine or changed by every novelty or emotion.

And lastly, my Missions have hope because those outside of our fold like the Church, and are attracted by her service and music.

An organist of a large congregation and a member, a splendid leader of their choir, told her own congregation that she would not play for them when we had services, because she desired to play for us. She is devoted to our hymns and chants, and through these she has learned to like the Church, and desires to be confirmed.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EPISCOPATE FUND.

Helena, Ark., May 1, 1902.

To the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

Brethren: I herewith submit my Tenth Annual Statement of the receipts, expenditures, and actual cash value of the Permanent Episcopate Fund of the Diocese on above date:

RECEIPTS.

To balance on hand as per last report	\$1,457.74
To loans reported in last report and repaid:	
R. M. Fitzpatrick	\$ 50.00
W. Kennedy	460.00
J. & F. Goodman	468.00
R. H. & C. T. Word	250.00
Miles Place	164.80
J. S. Agee	475.00
M. L. Stephenson	1,230.00
N. Straub Sons	3,000.00
G. W. Willey	3,500.00
W. H. & G. Howe	100.00
New Light Baptist Church (part)	100.00
Total	9,857. 2

From Interest:

R. M. Fitzpatrick	\$ 11.55
W. Kennedy	48.55
J. & F. Goodman	53.95
New Light Baptist Church	26.00
G. & H. A. Schwantz	53.40
R. H. & C. T. Word	23.00
Miles Place	12.10
J. S. Agee	38.34
M. L. Stephenson	103.20
N. Straub Sons	240.00
G. W. Willey	280.00
W. H. & G. Howe	9.55
Diocese of Arkansas	89.66
Short Loans	85.79

Total\$1,077.09

Deduct from the amount added for interest paid to Home Mutual and People's Building and Loan Ass'ns on forced loans.....	77.00	1,000.00
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From Donations:

To Trinity Mission, Searcy	\$ 2.00	
To St. Luke's, Brinkley	1.20	
Total		\$ 3.20

From Pine Bluff Property:

To Rents collected for 12 months for cottages from May 1, 1901, to May 1, 1902, at \$27 per month		324.00
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From Forced Payments of Stock:

To Home Mutual B. & L. Ass'n Series No. 3..	\$ 2,250.00	
To People's B. & L. Ass'n Series No. 5	480.00	2,730.00
Total		\$15,372.83

EXPENDITURES.

From May 1, 1901, to date of present report:

Loans made and securities attached:

By R. H. & C. T. Word	\$ 250.00	
By W. H. & G. Howe	100.00	
By L. M. Patrick	500.00	
By W. N. & S. Straub	1,000.00	
By M. L. Stephenson	1,290.00	
By Miles Place	420.00	
By Felix Smith	668.00	
By N. Straub Sons	3,000.00	
By D. W. Bailey...	750.00	
By F. B. Sliger	750.00	
By G. W. Willey...	3,500.00	
By Deener et al	292.50	\$12,520.50

Payments made on Building and Loan stock:

By Home Mutual for 60 shares Series No. 5 purchased	\$ 506.70	
By People's No. 2, monthly payments	120.00	
By Home Mutual No. 3, monthly payments.....	222.00	
By Home Mutual No. 5, monthly payments.....	142.50	991.20

Pine Bluff property:

By vouchers for repairs, insurance, taxes, water etc., Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive	\$ 82.90	82.90
Cash on hand.....		1,778.23
Total		\$15,372.83

PRESENT VALUE OF FUND.

Building and Loan Stock.	Amount.	Paid in.	Present Value.
Home Mutual Series No. 3.			
106 months	\$3,700.00	\$2,102.98	\$2,960.00
Less amount of forced loans...		2,250.00	710.00
Home Mutual Series No. 5,			
70 months	2,500.00	939.75	1,085.00
People's Series No. 2, 92			
months	2,000.00	1,010.05	1,397.10
Less amount of forced loans..		480.00	887.10
Bills Receivable			

Name of Maker.	Face.	Accrued Interest.	Total.
New Light Baptist Church	\$ 600.00	\$162.00	\$ 762.00
Miles Place	420.00	11.00	431.00
Diocese of Arkansas	300.00	30.00	330.00
R. H. & C. T. Word	250.00	13.00	263.00
W. H. & G. Howe	100.00	4.00	104.00
L. M. Patrick	500.00	13.00	513.00
W. N. & S. Staub	1,000.00	20.00	1,020.00
Felix Smith	668.00	15.00	683.00
G. & H. A. Schwantz	667.00	3.00	670.00
M. L. Stephenson	1,230.00	34.49	1,264.49
D. W. Bailey	750.00	9.00	759.00
F. B. Sliger	750.00	3.00	753.00
G. W. Willey	3,500.00	4.30	3,504.30
N. Straub Sons	2,000.00	49.35	2,049.35
Sermon & King	100.00	18.00	118.00
Deener et al	292.50	11.35	303.35

Pine Bluff Property:

Value as formerly reported	3,936.00
Cash on hand	1,778.23
Present value of fund	\$22,984.23
Value at last report	21,242.55
Net increase of fund during	
year	\$1,741.68

Interest earned on the floating part of the fund which aggregated in my last report \$17,306.35, was \$1,500.58, making the per cent 8 3-4.

Interest earned on the Pine Bluff property from rental, same being net \$3,936.00, was \$241.10, making the per cent a fraction greater than 6.

The fund produced from the investment of \$21,242.23, \$1,741.68, which makes the gain by per cent 8 1-4.

In closing my report I wish to call the attention of the Council to the fact that we are largely indebted to Col. J. B. Trulock for his kindness in attending to collection of rents from Pine Bluff property and in every way supervising it without compensation, and that the Council should express their thanks by vote for his service.

You are also reminded of the small amount sent in by the Parishes by way of donations and the Trustee would urge upon the Clergy the necessity of placing this matter before their congregations in such a way as it will command a more substantial response.

I hope this fund will not be disturbed at this Council for it will surely be a great source of gratification to see it reach the amount of \$25,000, which it will surely do by the next Annual Council. Faithfully yours,

S. S. FAULKNER,

Trustee Permanent Episcopate Fund.

APPENDIX VIII.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

DIOCESAN FUND.

Balance on hand since last report	\$ 424.32
Balance from account Bishop's salary fund.....	23.85

RECEIPTS.

Church or Mission.	Amount.
All Saints, Devall's Bluff	\$ 2.75
Ascension, Booneville	5.00
St. Mark's, Lonoke	5.00
St. Mary's, Medford	5.00
St. Andrew's, Rogers	5.00
St. Stephen's, Winslow	5.00
St. Luke's, Brinkley	9.25
St. Clement's, Arkansas City... ..	10.00

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St. Barnabas, Foreman	\$	10.00	
Church of Redeemer, Nashville ...		10.00	
Ascension, Pocahontas, ...		10.00	
St. James's, Prescott.....		10.00	
St. Agnes's, Morrilton		12.66	
immanuel, Lake Village		15.00	
St. Philip's, Little Rock		15.00	
St. Mary's, Monticello		15.00	
Grace, Siloam Springs		15.00	
Grace, Washington		20.00	
St. Mark's, Hope		25.00	
Christ, Mena		25.00	
Trinity, Searcy		35.00	
St. James's, Eureka Springs		50.00	
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....		50.00	
St. Andrew's, Marianna		50.00	
Trinity, Van Buren		62.50	
St. John's, Camden		75.00	
St. Paul's, Batesville		100.00	
St. Paul's Newport		100.00	
St. John's, Fort Smith		137.50	
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock ...		150.00	
St. Luke's, Hot Springs		225.00	
St. John's, Helena		250.00	
Trinity, Pine Bluff		250.00	
Christ, Little Rock	375.00		2,139.66
From Bishop Brown on rents			306.00
Total receipts			<u>\$2,893.83</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

1901.

July 9. Expense Standing Committee.....	\$	8.50
July 12. Secretary Daggett, expense sending out		
Journals		29.70
July 12. Arkansas Democrat Co., Publishing		
Journals		247.10
August 12. Arkansas Democrat Co., 1,000 reports..		10.00
August 16. Bishop Brown, first quarter		375.00

October 1.—General Convention tax, W. W. Skiddy, treasurer	69.00	
November 14.—Bishop Brown, second quarter.....	375.00	
November 14.—Water service at Bishop's residence.....	19.00	
December 16.—Expense Standing Committee	3.75	
1902.		
February 7.—Bishop Brown, third quarter	375.00	
March 4.—Expense Standing Committee	7.80	
April 5.—Arkansas Democrat Co., 200 Constitu- tions, \$36, reports \$11	47.00	
April 7.—Taxes on Bishop's residence	187.20	
May 7.—Bishop Brown, fourth quarter	375.00	
May 15.—Walter Williams, janitor	5.00	
May 15.—John M. Daggett, Secretary	100.00	
May 15.—P. K. Roots, Treasurer, postage	4.90	
May 15.—Insurance on Episcopal residence.....	151.00	
May 15.—S. S. Faulkner, Trustee, interest to May 1, 1902	30.00	
Total disbursements		<u>\$2,419.95</u>
Cash balance on hand.....		<u>\$ 473.83</u>

ASSESSMENTS UNPAID.

All Saints, Devall's Bluff	\$ 2.25
St. James's, Des Arc.....	5.00
St. Mark's, Dumas	5.00
El Dorado.....	5.00
Calvary, Osceola	5.00
Holy Communion, Paragould	5.00
St. Stephen's, Winslow	5.00
Christ, Clarendon	10.00
St. Peter's, Conway	10.00
St. Agnes's, Morrilton	12.34
St. Luke's, Brinkley	15.75
St. Mark's, Jonesboro....	25.00
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring	25.00
Trinity, Van Buren	37.50
St. Paul's, Fayetteville	100.00
Total	<u>\$267.84</u>

FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

Cash balance on hand from last report \$655.64

RECEIPTS.

St. Luke's, Brinkley	\$ 2.00	
Good Shepherd, Forrest City	2.00	
Christ Church, Little Rock	2.00	
St. Andrew's, Marianna	2.25	
Trinity, Searcy.....	3.15	
Christ, Mena	3.45	
St. James's, Eureka Springs	3.50	
St. John's, Camden	4.90	
Trinity, Van Buren	5.00	
St. Paul's, Fayetteville	7.10	
St. Mark's, Hope	7.40	
St. John's, Fort Smith	7.55	
St. Paul's, Batesville	7.75	
St. Paul's, Newport	8.41	
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.....	8.90	
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	13.82	
St. John's, Helena	26.50	115.68
Holiman note and interest	\$130.85	
Carl interest	24.00	
Neill interest	40.00	194.85
Total.....		\$966.17
Less Loan to Carl		600.00
Cash balance on hand		\$366.17
VALUE OF FUND.		
Cash		\$366.17
Neill note		500.00
Carl note		600.00
Present value of fund		\$1,466.17
Value one year ago		1,280.64
Gain		\$185.53

P. K. ROOTS,

Treasurer.

APPENDIX IX.

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Right Reverend Father, Clergy, Members of the Woman's Auxiliary, and Friends:

It is with mingled feelings of honor, pleasure, gratitude, thankfulness and pride, that we welcome you to our hearts and homes. It is a great honor to our city and Church to have such a convention assemble here. It has been a real pleasure to look forward to your coming, and it is a far greater pleasure to welcome you here to-day, not as strangers, but friends, within our gates. Gratitude for accepting our invitation to hold this meeting with us. It has drawn us together with one purpose, one aim; to look after our Master's work.

My heart thrills with thankfulness as I look over this body, and realize what it means. In the midst of this scene of mystic significance, we see the women of two of the most powerful organizations of our Church banded together for mutual council and sympathy; for unity of action and for the promotion of higher and loftier moral conditions. While we may not be in search of the "Holy Grail" we are striving for the best for humanity, and that the call may sound strong and loud to the remotest parts of the earth. Thrice welcome all! Bishop, Clergy, Laymen and the dear women.

In taking a retrospect of the year that has gone, we must not confine ourselves to our own Diocesan experiences, but take a general outlook. While it is natural to congratulate ourselves on what we have accomplished, and pat ourselves on the back, and say we are up in our collections, and that we have come up to the notch in all our requirements; yet, we should be filled with humility and awe when we think of the expansion of the work, and that hardly a spot remains to which it would be impossible to bring the glorious gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We should feel humbled that we have so small a part in the evangelization of the world, and awe, that since we have the knowledge, our responsibilities increase. We not only wonder, but often doubt if the scholarships which have been contributed in the Mission schools are fulfilling their purpose, and if the heathen children are really receiving intelligently those truths which we have had all during the Christian centuries. We have not grown as much as we ought; we do not feel that we have reached the high-water mark by any means; yet we have some increase. I believe that if we had more than a single meeting during the year our growth would be more. While we look backward and realize with heartfelt gratitude that we have not lessened, when we look forward we behold a horizon whose breadth is greater than we had conceived.

We realize that the personal, the general, the individual and corporate possibilities are almost bewildering. Every church and mission helped, becomes a center of usefulness, divides the burden of care and expense, and forms a nursery from which seedlings can be transplanted to the uttermost parts of the earth. The time has come for a response on our part to the mighty forces moving in the world; we must move with them or drop out of the ranks and be relegated to the rear. We are beginning to learn how to work, so let us put our best efforts into this great Missionary enterprise. Let us pledge ourselves anew to earnest endeavor, steadfast intention and daily perseverance in the small details which go to make up success. While we may not be like the Moravians, where every tenth member is a Missionary, neither so responsive as one society I read of, where the number of women contributors were the same as the communicants; still we can try to have representatives where there are none to preach and teach. It is a pity that we have not more delegates present. Such absences hinder the dissemination of that wider knowledge of Missions and their needs, which should be carefully and constantly kept before the members of the branches.

We do not know really how complete the chain of Missionary intelligence is. One of the best ways to keep in touch, especially in woman's work, is to subscribe to the "Spirit of Missions." If not taken by individuals, every branch should have it, and let the reading of it form a part of every meeting. No one woman can master every detail of Missionary information, but let her as far as she can place herself in the atmosphere of general knowledge. We all know well that woman's best work is that of influence. It may be a silent, invisible grace, but if borne upon the wings of love, it will break forth into a song of gladness, until the whole wide world will sing in chorus the everlasting hymn of Redemption.

The individual responsibility to each is GO, not in the same way our Bishop or Clergy go, because they have the Divine commission, but like the wise men from the East, when led by the star to worship the new-born King, offered gold for His Royalty, frankincense for His Priesthood, and myrrh for His Humanity. We may follow their example and give always of our best to the Lord; bring an offering whenever we go to worship, and remember His fellow feeling for those who with Him drink of the "bitter myrrh of grief."

I am sorry I could not visit all the Parishes in the Diocese, especially those where no branch of the Auxiliary is found, that we might try to establish them. But our facilities for travel are so poor, connections as often lost as made, that I have found it impracticable. I had a very delightful visit with the Forrest City branch, which needs special commendation for its good work. I would have gone to Van Buren if I had known they wanted me

before I left home, but I heard nothing to that effect until I was ready to return. When any of the branches make a personal request to have me, I will make an extra effort to go to them. I am desirous that every Parish should form branches of the Junior Auxilliary, also of the Babies Branch. A number of the Sunday Schools have formed themselves into Junior Auxilliaries, thus materially increasing their interest in Missions, the importance of which can hardly be overestimated. As it is, those who are now learning to care for and work for Missions are those who will ultimately, we hope, carry forward the great work of the Woman's Auxilliary.

With us locally, we have the first Sunday in the month for Mission Sunday. The children pledged themselves five cents a month to this fund. It was done at the Bishop's suggestion, and the little ones, on the spur of the moment, wanted to make it more; the Bishop's plan of the "mighty cent" was too small in their eyes. Let us hope that this willingness to give will grow with their growth, and strengthen with their strength.

Among the many influences for good that come from the birth of the Holy Child at Bethlehem, none is greater than that of childhood and the child life. It often succeeds where the maturer effort fails, and in its weakness is strength. Our Lord himself tells us that the Kingdom of Heaven is composed of such, so we may understand how necessary is the service of the tiniest child. As none are too small to enter the Kingdom; from the day of its birth by baptism into the Missionary Church of God, the baby member is a Missionary.

All of Mission work is not foreign, but we have no right to say we will not work in certain fields because we do not like that work. It would be just as consistent and sensible to say "my child shall not study a certain science because I did not, and therefore do not like it." It is because we do not know we must always be learners.

The tabulated reports will be given by the Secretaries and Treasurer. Our annual report is part of a chapter from modern history. It is a collection of facts. It is the history of a life, of a people, and may form only a fragmentary part of what our own community is doing in home and foreign Missions. However meager it may be, it shows our endeavor to make peace in the world through the building up of Christ's kingdom. The time is coming when we believe the whole Diocese will be embraced in our State branch. Then our usefulness will be largely increased.

The possibilities of this new century appeal strongly to the imagination of men of all civilized nations in things spiritual as well as secular. Let us to-day pledge ourselves, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to fight more faithfully and earnestly than ever before. Christian women, we must be up and doing. Bazaars, strawberry festivals, doll and apron sales for the benefit of our

Church, is a perversion of what should be holy work. If you have the wherewithal to buy a doll or an apron, or to attend an entertainment, why do you say you can give nothing directly to the purpose? Let us above all things be true and honest with ourselves, and have no shams in anything connected with the Lord's work. Those early Israelites who could give only goat's hair for the outer covering of the Tabernacle wherein was the Holy of Holies, gave just as much as the wealthy of their gold and jewels, because each one was expected to bring in only what he had to give.

We have very few wealthy women who can give of their abundance, but the penny is of as much value from her of small means, and will make our work prosper. What we need is more love of God; more self-sacrifice. That which distinguishes a high order of man from a low order of man; that which constitutes human goodness; human greatness; human nobleness; is surely not that degree of intelligence with which men pursue their own advantage, but it is self-forgetfulness; it is self-sacrifice; it is the disregard of personal pleasure; personal indulgence, personal advantage, because some other line of conduct is better. The truest greatness is often that which is unseen, unknown. It becomes possible to bear almost any kind of martyrdom, if popularity would be the result; but to suffer alone, without sympathy, for truth or principle, unnoticed by men; maintain one's part and in obscurity and amid discouragements patiently fulfill a trust; such are the real heroes of the age, and their suffering is true greatness.

Whatever work we undertake, we should always be in touch and sympathy with our Clergy, and have the cordial approval of our Rector. Those who are loyal at home will more fully recognize the wider needs of the Church. The sorrow, the ignorance, the sin of the world touched our Savior because He loved them. The needs of humanity are still appealing, and we pray God that as Christ's love becomes more universal, the response may become more general and more Christ-like. Usefulness is the test of Christian character. "Self-sacrifice is grace;" "self-sacrifice is power."

Finally, if we be poor in this world's goods, if we have but little time to give to the higher service, we can give our prayers. While these latter days have raised up no devout Annas like she who departed not from the temple but served God with fasting and prayers night and day, yet there are many women who have given up home, friends and position to become laborers in the field of the Lord, and for them and their work we can let our prayers ascend to heaven upon the wings of the dove of peace, and dwell with God until they return to us laden with blessings like the dew of heaven.

JENNIE H. PILLOW.

APPENDIX X.

REPORT OF SECRETARY WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Your Secretary respectfully submits the following report for the year ending May 1, 1902:

On Saturday, May 11, I attended an important meeting of the Diocesan officers of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Sunday School room of Christ Church, Little Rock. At this meeting the work for the coming year was discussed and plans outlined for a vigorous campaign. First, to interest the Rectors of Parishes where no branches of the Auxiliary has yet been formed. Second, to urge the members of the Auxiliary to subscribe for and read the "Spirit of Missions," and to make a study of Missions at the meetings of the Parish branches.

The President had been asked by Miss Emery, in preparing the United Offering from Arkansas for the General Convention, to place the offering in a bag or envelope which should bear a photograph of the Mother Church of the Diocese.

In accordance with this request your Secretary was instructed to put an advertisement in the Little Rock papers for a photograph of old Christ Church. This was done, but no reply being forthcoming your Secretary visited the Christ Church branch of the Auxiliary, explained the request and asked that the receptacle for the offering be prepared by that branch.

This the ladies kindly consented to do. A handsome satin bag was prepared with an excellent photograph of Christ Church, Little Rock, and containing the Arkansas United Offering was laid upon the altar in San Francisco, and helped to make up the grand sum total of \$107,000.

During May, 1901, your Secretary made personal appeals to three Rectors, bespeaking their good wishes and help in Auxiliary work in their respective Parishes. In one of these Parishes the Auxiliary has been revived and is doing good work. In one a branch has been formed and has been systematically at work since its beginning. We are all glad to welcome the Van Buren branch as our youngest member and wish it Godspeed. One Parish, although one of the strongest in the State, is still unheard from.

Your Secretary had a sad duty to perform early in November in writing to the branches of the death of Mrs. Twing, the beloved honorary Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary.

In this connection let me say that the response to the call for gifts to the "Twing Memorial Fund" was most generous and almost universal.

At the beginning of Lent, in accordance with instructions from Miss Emery, letters were sent to all branches asking for a special Lenten offering for General Missions.

In some Parishes the Lenten work had been already spoken for, but in response to the call for General Missions has been most cordial. We would suggest that any branch having spare time and spare money give both to General Missions.

And now let your Secretary say something about the United Offering. The blue boxes were sent to each branch in Arkansas. Has each member of the Auxiliary in Arkansas a blue box? Have others been asked to take the extra boxes? If not, why not?

In many cases the boxes come safely to the Secretary of the branch and are taken to the first Auxiliary meeting. Perhaps it is a rainy day and only half the members are present; these are faithful members, have come in spite of the rain and all gladly take their boxes.

What becomes of the rest? They are put away on a dusty shelf and forgotten—forgotten when each box might be gathering its precious mites to spread Christ's kingdom.

I know a branch where the extra boxes are always in evidence at the meetings. Visitors are urged to take one. Members who stay at home have a box brought to them; the invalids have their boxes, so that though laid aside from active work themselves, they help to send others into the whitening harvest fields.

When the casual caller drops in she sees the blue box, and when she goes home her conscience compels her to take her own box out of cold storage, put it beside her pincushion under her mirror, where it calls aloud for Missions many times every day. Parish officers of the Auxiliary, see to it that every blue box in your branch is put to work for Missions.

Let me suggest that the contents of the boxes be collected by the Treasurer every three months, instead of only once a year. If we know the money will be called for in three months we are not so likely to forget.

This plan was tried in one Parish last year and the United Offering grew apace.

The offering presented in San Francisco from Arkansas was \$247.77—more than twice as much as we had ever given before. We had climbed in three years from the foot of the ladder to a place above the Dioceses of Dallas, Fond du Lac, Kansas, Marquette, Mississippi, Oregon, Quincy, Springfield, Texas, Alaska, Arizona, Boise, Duluth, Laramie, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, Spokane and Sacramento. Let us double our offering in 1904 and climb still higher.

On Friday, May 17, your Secretary received from Mrs. P. K. Roots a check for \$5 which was applied as follows:

May 17, 1891—Printing advertisements and typewriting six copies of Auxiliary Constitution.....	\$3.98
Stationery.....	1.02
March 5, 1902—From Mrs. P. K. Roots, for stationery.....	1.00

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. R. W. RHAMES.

Secretary.

APPENDIX XI.

REPORT OF TREASURER WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS.

UNITED OFFERING.

1901.

May 10.—Balance on hand.....\$65.22

RECEIPTS.

From Trinity Cathedral.....	35.00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	50.00
From Helena.....	50.12
From St. John's Guild, Camden.....	8.33
From Arkansas City.....	.50
From Mena.....	1.50
From Pine Bluff.....	8.47
From Batesville.....	9.09
From Pine Bluff Junior Auxiliary.....	3.46
From Hot Springs.....	10.75
From Newport.....	11.33
From Van Buren.....	5.85
From Fayetteville.....	7.00
Total.....	\$267.11

Offerings for Mrs. Twing Memorial:

From Brinkley.....	\$ 3.50
From Fayetteville.....	2.00
From Marianna.....	3.00
From Newport.....	10 53
From Trinity Cathedral.....	13.50
From Helena.....	10.00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	10.00
From Batesville.....	7.30
From Forrest City.....	1.25
From Van Buren.....	1.00
	\$62.13

General Missions:

May 10, 1901.—Balance on hand.....	\$ 3.65
From Brinkley.....	3.00
From Newport.....	1.70
From Batesville.....	11.15
From Trinity Cathedral.....	3.50
From Camden, St. John's Guild.....	13.31
From Christ Church, Little Rock	61.00
	\$97.31

Diocesan Missions:

From Christ Church, Little Rock, Babies Branch.....	\$10.00
From Hot Springs.....	6.59
	<u>\$16.50</u>

Diocesan Tax:

From Helena.....	\$ 1.00
From Batesville.....	2.00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	1.00
From Pine Bluff.....	1.00
From Lake Village.....	1.00
From Van Buren.....	1.00

\$ 7.00

Fund for Families of Clergymen in Arkansas:

From Fayetteville.....	\$33.25
From Newport.....	3.00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	2.00
	<u>\$38.25</u>
From Helena for Jacksonville Fire Sufferers.....	\$15.00
From Helena for Brazil.....	7.25

DISBURSEMENTS.

United Offering—Paid in at Triennial Convention...	\$260.51
Mrs. Twing Memorial Fund—Drafts sent to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.....	62.13
General Missions—Drafts sent Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.....	\$ 3.65
	15.85
	3.50
	74.31
	<u>97.31</u>
Draft to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer, for Brazil.....	7.25
Diocesan Missions—Drafts to H. C. Rather, Treasurer.....	\$10.00
	6.50
	<u>16.50</u>
Diocesan Tax—Drafts to Mrs. Rhames, Secretary....	\$ 5.00
	1.00
	1.00
	<u>7.00</u>
Jacksonville Fire Sufferers—Draft sent Mrs. W. H. Stone.....	15.00
	<u>\$ 6.60</u>
Cash Balances on hand—United Offering.....	\$ 6.60
Fund for Families of Clergymen in Arkansas.....	38.25
	<u>\$ 44.85</u>

MRS. P. K. ROOTS,
Treasurer.

APPENDIX XII.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL, LITTLE ROCK.

The Chapter.

Clerical Members—Bishop William Montgomery Brown, D. D., President of the Chapter and Rector of the Parish. Dean J. Percy Robottom, M. A., Senior Assistant of the Bishop and resident Pastor and Preacher. The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., Junior Assistant of the Bishop. Canons H. C. Lockwood, B. D., G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., J. B. Whaling, M. A., R. W. Rhames, M. A., A. A. Robertson, M. A., and G. DeWitt Dowling, M. A., occasional preachers.

Lay Members—P. K. Roots and W. Ayres Cook, Wardens; Clement Yost, Clerk; Thomas W. Yeakle, Treasurer, W. S. Mitchell, J. W. Beidelman, C. K. Lincoln, J. M. Bracey and W. G. Hall.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

Trinity Cathedral Parish.

The Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, M. A., Dean; residence, 1613 Spring street; The Ven. W. D. Williams, Archdeacon; P. K. Roots, Lay Reader; P. K. Roots and W. Ayres Cook, Wardens; Clement Yost, Clerk; Thomas W. Yeakle, Treasurer.

Number of families, about 100. Number of individuals, about 500. Baptisms—Infants, 25; adults, 3; total, 28. Confirmations, 15. Marriages, 8. Burials, 7. Sunday School—Teachers, 10; pupils, 100; total, 110. Public Services—On Sunday, three services every Sunday; on other days, daily in Lent; Holy Communion, every Sunday. Sittings in the church, 450; free.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$75; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$2,080. Other Parochial expenses, viz: Repairs, improvements, new sidewalk, new roof, new font, rebuilding of organ, etc., \$1,500. Diocesan—Assessment, \$150; missions, \$50; aged and infirm Clergy, \$13.82. Missions—General, \$150; University of the South, \$25. Total for all objects, \$4,093.85.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000; value of church building, \$25,000; value of rectory, \$3,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$38,000.

Trinity Cathedral Guild has raised \$265.05; the Daughters of the King, \$100; the Junior Club, about \$75; the Junior Daughters of the King, \$25. The Cathedral property has been recently improved by new concrete sidewalks constructed around the whole property; a new roof has been built upon the Cathedral building; the organ has been wholly rebuilt and some new pipes added. A beautiful font placed in the Cathedral by the Junior Guild, composed of the young men of the Sunday School. The Woman's Auxilliary sent some \$50 to the Missionary agencies of the church.

ARKANSAS CITY, DESHA COUNTY.

Church of the Ascension Mission.

The Rev. J. W. Barker, Missionary; residence, Monticello; F. M. Rogers, Treasurer.

Number of families, 5. Whole number baptised persons, 24. Number of confirmed persons last report, 4. Number of confirmed persons this report, 4. Number communicating during the year, 4. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils 12; total, 15. Public Services—On Sunday, 16; on other days, 5; Holy Communion celebrated, 3. Sittings in the Church, 100; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$160. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15; missions, \$11.05; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$3.30; charity, \$1.55. Missions—University of the South, \$1.35; New York Prayer Book Society, \$1.95. Total for all objects, \$194.25.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$600; value of Church building, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$1,600.

BARING CROSS, PULASKI COUNTY.

St. Barnabas Mission.

Newton Hockinsmith, Lay Reader; Albert Wassell, Warden—

Number of families, 10. Number of individuals, 50. Sunday School—Teachers, 1; pupils, 30; total 31. Public Services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 5.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$10. Diocesan—Missions, \$1.85. Missions—General, \$4. Total for all objects, \$15.85.

The Rev. Arnoldus Miller was in charge from the beginning of the last conciliar year, May 1, 1901, until January 1, 1902. From January 1 until April 15, 1902, Mr. Wm. P. Williams, a licensed Lay Reader, was in charge. This report for January 1, 1902, to April 15, 1902.

There is a Sunday School, regularly maintained, and public service every alternate Sunday night, both held in a small building belonging to the public. There is a population of 2,500 people in Baring Cross and no place of worship, save a Roman Catholic Chapel. The need of a Chapel is very urgent.

BATESVILLE, INDEPENDENCE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rector; residence, Batesville; J. Conway Fitzhugh, Lay Reader; J. C. Fitzhugh and W. B. Lawrence, M. D., Wardens; Wm. Ramsey, Clerk; J. E. Rosebrough, Treasurer.

Number of families, 40. Number of individuals, 150. Whole number baptised persons, 125. Number of confirmed persons last report, 91. Number of confirmed persons this report, 100. Number communicating during the year, 75. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 2. Burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 9; pupils, 65; total, 74. Public services—On Sunday, 40; on other days, 50; Holy Communion celebrated, 8. Sittings in the Church, 250; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$9.90; current expenses, \$525.25; city water in Rectory, \$60. Diocesan—Assessment, \$100; missions, \$25.18; aged and infirm Clergy, \$15.15; Church at Conway, \$19.40. Missions—General, Woman's Auxiliary, \$11.15; foreign, \$5.70; University of the South, \$8.81; United Offering Woman's Auxiliary, \$9.09; Mrs. Twing Memorial, Woman's Auxiliary, \$7.30. Total for all objects, \$771.75.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$700; value of church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$1,800; total value of all Parish property, \$4,500.

The Parish has practically been vacant about half the year, which accounts for the reduced totals in the financial report.

BOONEVILLE, LOGAN COUNTY.

Ascension Mission.

George Drake Arnold, Lay Reader; Gardner H. Myers, Warden; Ray Holbrook, Clerk; John P. Mayer, Treasurer.

Number of families, 8. Number of individuals, 40. Whole number baptised persons, 25. Number of confirmed persons this report, 11. Number communicating during the year, 10. Baptisms—Infants, 9; adults 4. Confirmations, 5. Burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils 25; total 29. Public Services—On Sunday, 40; on other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated by the Bishop and Archdeacon Williams, 6. Sittings in the church, 96; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$2; current expenses, \$750. Diocesan—Assessment, \$500; missions, \$6.95; aged and infirm Clergy, .45. Total for all objects, \$764.40.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of church building, \$750; total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

Ascension Chapel is the only property of our Church in Logan County. A confirmation class of five were presented to the Bishop April 28. It was the first confirmation ever held in the county. Mr. George D. Arnold is engaged in doing lay missionary service here. This report is filled by W. D. Williams, Archdeacon.

BRINKLEY, MONROE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Mission.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Missionary; residence, Searcy, White County; Thomas H. Jackson and Edward T. Owen, Wardens; F. E. Sapp, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 20. Number of individuals, 50. Whole number baptised persons, 50. Number of confirmed persons last report, 33. Number of confirmed persons this report, 33. Number communicating during the year, 33. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 1; confirmations, 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 20; total, 23. Public Services—On Sunday, 29; on other days, 8; Holy Communion celebrated, 12. Sitzings in the church, 100; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$4.25; current expenses, \$135.20. Diocesan—Assessment, \$6.75; missions, \$5.95; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$1.20; aged and infirm Clergy, \$2. Missions—General, \$5.60. Total for all objects, \$160.85.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of church building, \$1,000; other Parish property, \$120; total value of all Parish property, \$1,370; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$50.

CAMDEN, OUACHITA COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

The Rev. Daniel Breck Ramsey, Rector; residence, Camden; P. Lynch Lee, Lay Reader; Joseph A. Reeves and P. Lynch Lee, Wardens; Hamilton G. Smith, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 24. Number of individuals, 103. Whole number baptised persons, 103. Number of confirmed persons last report, 54. Number of confirmed persons this report, 52. Baptisms—Infants, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 21; total, 25. Sitzings in the Church, 180; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$37; current expenses, \$605.69. Diocesan—Assessment, \$75. Missions—General, \$26.14. Total for all objects, \$743.83.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of church building, \$2,500; value of rectory, \$800; total value of all Parish property, \$4,300.

Was ill a great deal during the last year and lost count of the services.

CONWAY, FAULKNER COUNTY.

St. Peter's Mission.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 15. Whole number baptised persons, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 9. Number communicating during the year, 9. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 12; total, 15. Public Services—On Sunday, 10; on other days, 6; Holy Communion celebrated, 3.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$20; payment of debts, \$1,000; improvements, \$25. Total for all objects, \$145.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of church building, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$1,300; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$200.

The members of this new Mission ask that the name be St. Mark's, instead of St. Peter's, which is granted by the Bishop. There is still due \$200 on the purchase price of the church. The money is in hand, but cannot be paid owing to delay in transfer of title.

DARDANELLE, YELL COUNTY.

St. Paul's Mission.

A. Medenwald, Warden.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 8. Number of confirmed persons last report, 4. Number of confirmed persons this report, 4. Public Services—On Sunday, 2. Sitzings in the church, 200; free.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of church building, \$500; value of rectory, \$50; total value of all Parish property, \$650.

Poor Dardanelle! Depressed and destitute. For twelve years without a single service, and the past two years only an occasional service which may be given by Archdeacon Williams. Mr. George D. Arnold visited there one whole day this spring, and it is intended that he shall look after it in connection with missionary service on the "Choctaw Route" within Arkansas.

Faithfully,

W. D. WILLIAMS, Archdeacon.

DES ARC, PRAIRIE COUNTY.

St. James's Mission.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., **Missionary**; Dr. Putnam Dickinson, **Warden**.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 8. Whole number baptised persons, 11. Number of confirmed persons last report, 11. Number of confirmed persons this report, 11. **Public Services**—On other days, 7.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$9.25; offerings at services, \$3.60; total, \$12.85.

DEVALL'S BLUFF, PRAIRIE COUNTY.

All Saints Mission.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., **Missionary**; Fred A. Hipolite, M. D., **Clerk**.

Number of families, 6. Number of confirmed persons last report, 11. Number of confirmed persons this report, 7. Number communicating during the year, 5. Confirmations, 1. **Public Services**—On Sunday, 10; on other days, 1; Holy Communion celebrated, 1.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$67.50; offerings at all services, \$3.50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$2.75; missions, \$1. Total for all objects, \$74.75.

At one time this was an encouraging Mission, but the removal of the active workers has crippled it very much.

EUREKA SPRINGS, CARROLL COUNTY.

St. James's Parish.

The Rev. Louis Ramond Francine Davis, **Minister**; residence, Eureka Springs, box 789; Mr. C. Fremont Ellis, M. D., **Lay Reader**; C. Fremont Ellis, M. D., and John C. Cunningham, **Wardens**; Frank E. Patrick, **Clerk**; C. Fremont Ellis, M. D., **Treasurer**.

Number of families, 24. Number of individuals, 77. Whole number baptised persons, 57. Number of confirmed persons this report, 37. Number communicating during the year, 25. **Baptisms**—Infants, 4. Burials, 3. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 20; total, 25. **Public Services**—On Sunday, a. m. and p. m., about 56; on other days, about 30; Holy Communion celebrated monthly, 8. **Sittings in the church**, 100; free.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$364.22. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50; missions, \$1.30; aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.50; other objects within the Diocese, viz: Diocesan School of Theology, \$3.43. Missions—Foreign, \$6.25; domestic, \$6.25; total, \$12.50. Total for all objects, \$434.95.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,500; value of church building, \$500; value of chapel, \$500; total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.

During the year the Sunday School has received from regular offerings \$28.91, and expended \$28.61, leaving 30 cents in the treasury. In addition to this there has been received in a special fund, termed the Sunday School Building Fund, \$26.48, which is deposited in a bank for the same. The Sunday School also contributed \$12.50 toward Missions, as its Lenten offering. It is a source of great hope and promise for the future. The St. Mary's Guild, composed of women of the Parish, has during the last year, as always, been a source of great strength, and no more faithful or energetic organization can be found in any church in the Diocese. The Guild has received during the last six months, including a reserve fund of \$40, and a balance from the previous term, \$181.43, and has expended for the benefit of the Parish, \$120.36, leaving a balance of \$61.07 on hand. The reserve fund is the amount which the Guild brought with them when there was a union effected between St. James's Parish and Trinity Mission. This report, save the financial portion, is for seven months only; from the 1st of October, when the present Minister assumed charge.

FAYETTEVILLE, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

The Rev. James Junius Vault, Rector; residence, Fayetteville; R. V. McCracken and Charles Leverett, Wardens; R. V. McCracken, Clerk; J. H. McIlroy, Treasurer.

Number of families, 50. Number of persons confirmed this report, 140. Baptisms—Infants, 10. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 50; total, 55. Public Services—Every Sunday; on other days, all Holy Days and Fridays, and daily during Lent; Holy Communion celebrated, every Sunday and Holy Days. Sittings in the church, 250; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$150; current expenses, \$725; improvement on Rectory, \$700. Missions—General, 30; aged and infirm Clergy, \$5; promoting Christianity among Jews, \$2.15. Total for all objects, \$1,612.15.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000; value of church building, \$4,000; value of rectory, \$3,000; endowments or invested funds amount to about \$600 and accrued interest; total value of all Parish property, \$9,600.

We have had no visitation of the Bishop, hence no confirmations. We have improved the rectory and now have one of the most convenient and comfortable residences in Fayetteville. My health has been very bad, but I thank God it is now improving. I am unable to state the amount of money raised by the Woman's Auxilliary and the Daughters of the King. We have a very flourishing branch of the Woman's Auxilliary, and flourishing Chapters of the Daughters of the King and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. I have not been able to do much among the students of the University.

FOKEMAN, LITTLE RIVER COUNTY.

St. Barnabas Chapel Mission.

Augustus Michael Treschow, Missionary; residence, Mena, Polk County, Ark.

Number of families, 11. Number of individuals, 28. Whole number baptised persons, 24. Number of confirmed persons this report, 18. Number communicating during the year, 11. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 9; total, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, 5; Holy Communion celebrated, 5.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10; aged and infirm Clergy, \$1.30. Missions—General, \$1.07; foreign, \$2.05. Total for all objects, \$64.42.

Value of church building, \$750; other Parish property, \$100; total value of all Parish property, \$850.

FORREST CITY, ST. FRANCIS COUNTY.

The Good Shepherd Parish.

The Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish, Rector; residence, Forrest City; James Gilliam, Lay Reader; John Gatling and Harry A. Knight, Wardens; Walter Gorman, Clerk; Ellis Turley, Treasurer.

Number of families, 16. Number of individuals, 90. Whole number baptised persons, 89. Number of confirmed persons last report, 48. Number of confirmed persons this report, 47. Number communicating during the year, 36. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 3. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 45; total, 49. Public Services—On Sunday, 38; on other days, 80; Holy Communion celebrated, 30. Sitzings in the church, 250; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$571.17; other Parochial expenses, viz: repairs on church property, \$12.87. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50; missions, \$12.20; aged and infirm Clergy, \$2. Missions—General, \$14.25; other objects without the Diocese, viz: General Clergy Relief Fund, \$2.76; University of the South, \$2.45. Total for all objects, \$667.69.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,800; value of church building, \$3,000; value of rectory, \$800; total value of all Parish property, \$5,600.

The Ladies' Guild has raised \$261.50, of which \$205.24 has been spent for various purposes. A beautiful stained-glass window has been placed over the altar in memory of the first Rector of the church, Rev. C. A. Bruce, and his wife, Mary S. Bruce. The church was consecrated on Wednesday, January 22, by the Bishop, who was accompanied by six of the Clergy and Mrs. J. B. Pillow, President Woman's Auxilliary, all of whom participated in the services, which lasted from January 20 to 22. Ven. Percy Webber held a mission of five days from November 11 to 15, which was stimulating and helpful to the Parish. The Ladies' Guild are working to raise \$250 before January in order to secure a like sum which is promised conditionally by the Bishop for necessary improvements and repairs on the church and rectory.

FORT SMITH, SEBASTIAN COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

The Rev. A. A. Robertson, Rector; residence, 219 North Sixth Street; William A. Falconer, Lay Reader; Wilbur T. Cate and William A. Falconer, Wardens; Andrew S. Dowd, Clerk; James A. Foltz, Treasurer.

Number of families, 91. Number of individuals, 197. Whole number baptised persons, 300. Number of confirmed persons last report, 360. Number of confirmed persons this report, 308. Number communicating during the year, 150. Baptisms—Infants, 10; adults, 2. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 6. Burials, 8. Sunday School—Teachers, 9; pupils, 150; total, 159. Public Services—On Sunday, 200; on other days, Friday Holy Days and Lent daily, 100; Holy Communion celebrated, 60. Sittings in church, 300; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial — Communion alms, \$389.63; current expenses, \$1,127.60; interest and general expenses, \$254.47; improvements on church building, \$900. Diocesan—Bishop's salary and Diocesan Assessment, \$229. Missions—University of the South, \$10. Total for all objects, \$2,910.70.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$5,000; value of church building, \$20,000; value of rectory, \$3,000; total value of all Parish property, \$28,000; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,700.

\$1,200 of the indebtedness on the Parish property is carried in a Building and Loan Association, and payments have been monthly for the last four years, thus reducing this amount about one-half, or to \$600.

HELENA, PHILLIPS COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

The Rev. Charles Harry Lockwood, Rector; residence, 507 Perry Street, Helena; Nathan French Bruce, Lay Reader; Judge P. O. Thweatt and Hon. Greenfield Quarles, Wardens; Col. S. S. Faulkner, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 122. Number of individuals, 425. Whole number baptised persons, 344. Number of confirmed persons last report, 285. Number of confirmed persons this report, 292. Present number communicants, 270. Baptisms—Infants, 5; adults, 4. Confirmations, 14. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6. Sunday School—Teachers, 17; pupils, 140; total, 157. Public Services—On Sunday, 126; on other days, 143; Holy Communion celebrated, 87. Sittings in the church, 550; free, assigned.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$35.05; current expenses, \$2,758.20; other Parochial expenses, viz: Ladies' Aid Society, \$195.09; Young Ladies' Guild, \$120.20; Christmas offering, \$63.37; Thanksgiving offering, \$48.05; total, \$426.71. Diocesan—Assessment, \$250; missions, \$200; aged and infirm Clergy, \$26.50; Church extension, \$155. Missions—Foreign, \$16.26; domestic, \$70; University of the South, \$15.25; other objects without the Diocese, viz: General Clergy Fund, \$14. Archdeacon Webber, Mission, \$279.96; Woman's Auxiliary, \$117.37. Total for all objects, \$4,364.30.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$3,000; value of church buildings, \$50,000; value of rectory, \$3,500; other Parish property, \$5,000; total value of all Parish property, \$61,500.

The Parish is in a prosperous condition spiritually and financially. Baptisms and confirmations noted above are not as many as in some other years, but it must be remembered that our city is not a large one, and its growth is very slow, and the field is thoroughly cultivated, but we cannot expect same harvest each year. A handsome stone font has been placed in the church during the past year. It was given by Mrs. T. H. Rice in memory of her infant daughter Louise, who was left asleep on October 17, 1898. The

children, teachers and officers of the Sunday School, and the Young Ladies' Guild, recently placed in the church a most exquisitely beautiful oak pulpit, which not only adds to the appearance of the church, but very much to the comfort and convenience of the Rector. I am just entering on the fourteenth year of my Rectorship, and I feel that the past year has been one of the best in the history of the Parish during my incumbency.

HOPE, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

St. Mark's Parish.

The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., Archdeacon; residence, 1015 Commerce street, Little Rock, Ark.; Mr. Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Missionary Lay Reader; Samuel A. Knighton, Lay Reader; Judson Timothy West and Samuel A. Knighton, Wardens; Moses Harry Barlow, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of registered Parishioners, 69. Number of families, 22. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmations, 4. Number of confirmed persons, 34. Communicants—Admitted, 4; received, 2; present number, 40. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 15; total, 18. Public Services—On Sunday, 30; on other days, 35; Holy Communion celebrated, 3. Sitzings in the church, 150; free, assigned, rented.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, including Missionary's salary, lighting, heating, music, and insurance, \$264.45. Other Parochial expenses, viz: Purchase of rectory, \$1,258.33; recording of deed, \$1.50; improving church property, painting, fencing, etc., \$125.65; incidentals, \$3.25. Diocesan—Assessment, \$25; missions, \$26; aged and infirm Clergy, \$7.40; other objects within the Diocese, viz: The Church at Searcy, \$3. Missions—General, \$35; University of the South, \$6.20. Total for all objects, \$1,752.78.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,150; value of church building, \$1,000; value of rectory, \$500; other Parish property, \$350. Total value of all Parish property, \$3,000.

Rectory property purchased May 12, 1902, for \$1,250, and deed executed and delivered to Bishop Wm. M. Brown and his successors in trust for the use of the Permanent Episcopal Church in Arkansas.

HOT SPRINGS, GARLAND COUNTY.

St. Luke's Parish.

The Rev. Gasperie DeWitt Dowling, Rector; residence 608 Park Avenue, Hot Springs; Richard B. Bancroft, Lay Reader; Harry R. Vaughan and Edward M. Penick, Wardens; Richard B. Bancroft, Clerk; Fred. N. Rix, Treasurer.

Number of families, 136. Number of individuals, 332. Whole number baptised persons, 277. Number of confirmed persons last report, 140. Number confirmed persons this report, 158. Number communicating during the year, 118. Baptisms—Infants, 6; adults, 4; total, 10. Confirmations, 17. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7. Sunday School—Teachers, 7; pupils, 70; total, 77. Public Services—On Sunday, 98; on other days, 39; Holy Communion celebrated, 20. Sitzings in the church, 500. Free, 300.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$38.60; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$1,291.20. Payment of debts, \$1,481.41. Other Parochial expenses, viz: Sunday School, \$47.71; church repairs, \$56.15. Diocesan—Assessment, \$225; missions, \$26; aged and infirm Clergy, \$8.90; other objects within the Diocese, viz: Christ Church, Searcy, \$14.11. Missions—General, \$34.64; United Offering, Woman's Auxiliary, \$10.75. St. Mary's School, China, \$2. Total for all objects, \$3,236.47.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000; value of church building, \$17,000; other Parish property, \$5,800. Total value of all Parish property, \$32,800.

By the death of Rev. Ephraim Watt in September, 1901, the Parish lost its Rector. The seriousness of Mr. Watt's illness necessitated his departure from Hot Springs in June, from which time until November, services were kept up in the church on Sundays by Mr. James P. Mellard, one of the most devoted Laymen in the Parish, and by occasional visiting Clergymen. The present Rector assumed charge November 17, 1901.

The Parish is rejoicing in having wiped out the last dollar of its indebtedness by a splendid offering on Easter Sunday. The consecration of the church is planned for June 1, 1902, the first Sunday after Trinity.

JONESBORO, CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.

St. Mark's Mission.

The Rev. J. C. France, Rector; residence, Jonesboro, Ark.; A. J. Martin and D. P. Mann, Wardens.

Number of families, 12. Number of individuals, 40. Whole number baptised persons, 35. Number of confirmed persons last report, 25. Number of confirmed persons this report, 34. Number communicating during the year, 25. Baptisms—Infants, 8, adults, 5; total 13. Confirmations, 9. Burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 30; total, 36. Public Services—On Sunday 48; on other days, 52; Holy Communion celebrated, 6. Sittings in the church, 150; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary, and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$275. Other Parochial expenses, viz: On our new rectory, \$1,000. Diocesan—Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$5; aged and infirm Clergy, \$1.50. Missions—General, \$5.50. Total for all objects \$1,287.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of church building, \$1,000; value of rectory, \$1,200. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.

LAKE VILLAGE, CHICOT COUNTY.

Immanuel Mission.

The Rev. J. W. Barker, Rector; residence, Monticello. Captain Crocroft and W. W. Ford, Wardens; J. D. Miles, Treasurer.

Number of families, 22. Number of individuals, 80. Whole number baptised persons, 80. Number of confirmed persons this report, 13. Number communicating during the year, 12. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 6; total 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 16; on other days, 6; Holy Communion celebrated, 3. Sittings in the church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$1.50; current expenses (including Minister's salary, and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$238.70. Payment of debts, \$72. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15; missions, \$3; aged and infirm Clergy, \$1.10; other objects within the Diocese, viz: For the New York Prayer Book Society, \$1.75. Total for all objects, \$322.05.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,500; value of church building, \$700. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,200.

Total indebtedness of Parish, \$15, for organ.

The true state of the church can hardly be arrived at as no records have ever been kept. I think this report is almost correct.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

Christ Church.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector; residence, 509 Scott street; Major Parham and Wm. Williams, Lay Readers; Dr. Wm. A. Cantrell, Dr. Hockinsmith and Jno. W. Goodwin, Wardens; Frank M. Jefferson, Clerk; H. C. Rather, Treasurer.

Number of families, 375. Number of individuals, 1,100. Whole number baptised persons, 1,000. Number of confirmed persons last report, 601. Number of confirmed persons this report, 615. Number communicating during the year, 21. Baptisms—Infants, 21; adults, 6; total 27. Confirmations, 35. Marriages, 8. Burials, 23. Sunday School—Teachers, 46; pupils 325; total, 371. Public Services—On Sunday, 110; on other days, 125; Holy Communion celebrated, 60. Sittings in the church 750.

Services are supported by pew rents, by annual subscriptions, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$225.15; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$5,000. Other Parochial expenses, viz: Ladies' Aid Society, \$447.45; Daughters of the King, \$428.96; Chancel Guild, \$50; St. Paul's Chapel, \$679.10; Christ Church Sunday School, \$300; Easter Offering, \$1,850; total, \$3,755.51. Diocesan—Assessment, \$375; missions, \$209.61. The old pipe organ, valued at five or six hundred dollars, has been given to the church at Searcy. Missions—General, \$26.05; foreign, from Christ Church Sunday School, \$22.50; Woman's Auxilliary, \$30.50, \$53. Domestic, from Christ Church Sunday School, \$22.50; Woman's Auxilliary, \$30.50, \$53; United Offering from Woman's Auxilliary, \$50; to the Twing Memorial, \$10; box valued at \$26 from Woman's Auxilliary, total, \$86. Total for all objects, \$9,802.32.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$14,500; value of church building, \$60,000; value of rectory, \$6,000; other Parish property, \$1,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$81,500.

The Easter Offering amounted to \$1,850. The Vestry has just contracted for a six thousand dollar (\$6,000) organ to be placed in the church early in September. This will be the finest organ in the State, and one of the best in the Southwest.

The church was never in a more flourishing condition. Mr. Fay Hempstead is still doing a great work at St. Paul's Chapel. May God continue to bless him in this work is the earnest prayer of his friend and pastor.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

St. Philip's Mission.

Under the care of the Cathedral Clergy.

Number of families, 25. Whole number of baptised persons, 100. Baptisms—Infants, 25; adults, 5; total 30. Burials, 3. Sunday School—Teachers, 6; pupils, 50; total, 56. Public Services—On Sunday, every Sunday; on other days, daily in Lent; Holy Communion celebrated, every month. Sittings in the church, 150; free.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$25; current expenses including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$250; other Parochial expenses, viz: Carpeting of chancel, painting of walls, strengthening of roof, new windows, etc., \$200. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15. Missions—General, \$25. Total for all objects, \$515.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of church building, \$500; value of rectory, \$500.

Dean Robottom has preached every Sunday throughout the year at 5 p. m., and celebrated the Holy Communion the first Sunday in every month at 9 a. m. The services have been of unusual interest, showing a reawakening of earnestness on the part of the colored members of the Episcopal church. St. Philip's has been elaborated within, and the chancel covered with a handsome velvet carpet, with new matting in the aisles, during the past year.

LONOKE, LONOKE COUNTY.

St. Mark's Mission.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Missionary; residence, Searcy, Ark.; James D. Shute, Warden; Duff Green, Clerk; James D. Shute, Treasurer.

Number of families, 11. Number of individuals, 3. Number of confirmed persons last report, 5. Number of confirmed persons this report, 7. Number communicating during the year, 7. Confirmations, 2. Public Services—On Sunday, 4; on other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated, 2. Sittings in the church, 90; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$2.50; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$45. Offerings at service, 1.90. Other Parochial expenses, viz: Purchasing lots, \$60; building chapel, \$475; furniture for chapel, \$150. Diocesan—Assessment, 5; missions, \$2.40; aged and infirm Clergy, \$2. Missions—General, '5. Total for all objects, \$744.55.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$60; value of church building, \$475; other Parish property, \$150. Total value of all Parish property, \$685.

St. Mark's Mission bought a quarter of a block of land during the year and built a comfortable chapel, which was consecrated by the Bishop in November. The outlook for the Mission is hopeful.

MAMMOTH SPRING, FULTON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Parish.

P. P. B. Hynson and E. C. Bellamy, Wardens.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 25. Whole number baptised persons, 42. Number of confirmed persons last report, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 9. Number communicating during the year, 9. Baptisms—Adults, 1. Confirmations, 1. Public Services—On Sunday, 48; on other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated, 12. Sittings in the church, 100; free.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$161; other Parochial expenses, \$75.66. Diocesan—Missions, \$1.95. Total for all objects, \$238.66.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of church building, \$1,500; value of rectory, \$300. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.

MARIANNA, LEE COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Mission.

The Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish, Rector; residence, Forrest City; Dudley Sanders Clark, Lay Reader; Dudley Sanders Clark and Joseph F. Rankin, Wardens; John M. Daggett, Clerk; F. Noel Burke, Treasurer.

Number of families, 26. Number of individuals, 86. Whole number of baptised persons, 79. Number of confirmed persons last report, 53. Number of confirmed persons this report, 54. Number communicating during the year, 52. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Confirmations, 6. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 25; total, 30. Public Services—On Sunday, 78; on other days, 42; Holy Communion celebrated 28. Sittings in the church, 120; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$573.65; payment of debts, \$130; other Parochial expenses, viz: Electric lighting, \$65; stove, \$10.40. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50; missions, \$26.95; aged and infirm Clergy, \$6.45; other objects within the Diocese, viz: Bishop Brown, educating ministry, \$5.25; Missions—University of the South, \$6.20; Sunday School Lenten Offering, \$17.25. Total for all objects, \$891.15.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of church building, \$2,500; value of rectory, \$2,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$5,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$400.

MEDFORD, DESHA COUNTY.**St. Mary's Mission.**

The Rev. J. W. Barker, Missionary; residence, Monticello; Captain G. E. Buck, Treasurer.

Number of families, 2. Number of individuals, 8. Whole number baptised persons, 8. Number of confirmed persons last report, 1. Number of confirmed persons this report, 2. Public Services—On Sunday, 14. Sittings in the church, 150; free.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$133.04. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5. Total for all objects, \$138.04.

Not more than a "preaching station," but a place of possibilities and hope. Dumas is another preaching station for which I have no blank. I have held several services, and the people have paid me no stated sum but \$16.85 toward my expenses.

MENA, POLK COUNTY.**Christ Chapel Mission.**

Augustus Michael Treschow, Missionary; residence, Mena, Polk County, Ark.

Number of families, 20. Number of individuals, 59. Whole number baptised persons, 53. Number of confirmed persons last report, 37. Number of confirmed persons this report, 34. Number communicating during the year, 38. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 21; total, 26. Public Services—On Sunday, 37; on other days, 15; Holy Communion celebrated, 10. Sittings in the church, free.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$210.62. Other Parochial expenses, viz: Sunday School supplies May, 1901-1902, \$6.51. Minor items in aggregate, \$8.78. Diocesan—Assessment, \$25; missions, \$1; aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.45. Missions—Foreign, \$9.26; University of the South, \$3.50; Total for all objects, \$268.12.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of church building, \$750; value of rectory, \$500. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,450.

MONTICELLO, DREW COUNTY.

St. Mary's Mission.

The Rev. J. W. Barker, Missionary; residence, Monticello; J. D. Dunn, M. D., Clerk; Dr. M. Y. Pope, Treasurer.

Number of families, 5. Number of individuals, 28. Whole number baptised persons, 27. Number of confirmed persons last report, 11. Number of confirmed persons this report, 11. Number communicating during the year, 6. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10; total, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, 19; on other days, 8; Holy Communion celebrated, 2. Sittings in the church, 45; free.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$4.25; other Parochial expenses, viz: Missionary's stipend, not in offerings, but by subscriptions, has amounted to \$67.50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15; aged and infirm Clergy, \$2.30. Total for all objects, \$89.05.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$600; value of church building, \$600. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,200.

This report covers six months, from the first of October, 1901, and cannot at this time be perfect as there are no records in the Mission

MORRILTON, CONWAY COUNTY.

St. Agnes's Parish.

W. M. Scarborough and W. E. DeLong, Wardens; W. H. Ashley, Clerk; W. M. Scarborough, Treasurer.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 16. Whole number baptised persons, 23. Number of confirmed persons last report, 28. Number of confirmed persons this report, 16. Number communicating during the year, 8. Burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 18; total, 22. Public Services—On Sunday, 10; on other days, 6; Holy Communion celebrated, 5. Sittings in the church, 150; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$40.89. Diocesan—Assessment, \$14. Missions, \$33.63. Missions—Domestic, \$1.10. Total for all objects, \$89.62.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of church building, \$1,300; value of rectory, \$400; other Parish property, \$20. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,020.

NASHVILLE, HOWARD COUNTY.

Church of the Redeemer.

The Rev. S. R. McAlpin, Missionary; residence, Hope, Ark.;
W. C. Rodgers, Warden.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 7. Whole number baptised persons, 7. Number of confirmed persons this report, 5. Number communicating during the year, 7. Burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 15; total, 18.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.

Until comparatively recent services were irregular the last year. Now we have service every month, and Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m. There is only one male communicant and seven members, yet we have increased two communicants within the last year, one accession and one moved here from abroad. More interest is being taken in the church work than for some time.

Respectfully,

W. C. RODGERS.

NEWPORT, JACKSON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

Number of families, 50. Number of individuals, 137. Number of confirmed persons last report, 88. Number of confirmed persons this report, 92. Baptisms—Infants, 3. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4. Sunday School—Teachers, 7; pupils, 65; total, 72. Sittings in the church, 200; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$20.23; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$906.37; Christmas offering, \$23.65; Choir offering, \$65; Sewing Guild, \$60.20. Diocesan—Assessment, \$100; aged and infirm Clergy, \$8.40; other objects within the Diocese, viz: Easter offering, \$4; Easter Memorial, \$20; Sunday School offering, \$27.69. Missions—General, \$4.68; Sunday School, \$20; other objects without the Diocese, viz: United Offering Woman's Auxiliary, \$11.65; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$10. Total for all objects, \$1,322.87.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$800; value of church building, \$500; value of rectory, \$1,500. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,800.

OSCEOLA, MISSISSIPPI COUNTY.**Calvary Mission.**

John Cyril France, Lay Reader; James B. Craighead and C. L. Moore, Wardens; John A. Fox, Clerk; W. H. Stancill, Treasurer.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 14. Whole number baptised persons, 20. Number of confirmed persons last report, 8. Number of confirmed persons this report, 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 20.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Missions, \$3.15.

A lot promised provided a brick chapel shall be built upon it.

W. D. WILLIAMS, Archdeacon.

PRESCOTT, NEVADA COUNTY.**St. James's Mission.**

Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Lay Reader; E. R. Armistead, M. D., Warden; W. R. Bathurst, M. D., Clerk.; Chas. A. Bemis, Treasurer.

Number of families, 7. Number of individuals, 10. Number of confirmed persons last report, 8. Number of confirmed persons this report, 8. Number communicating during the year, 7. Public Services—On Sunday, 10; on other days, 6. Holy Communion celebrated 1. Sittings in the church, free.

Services supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Expenses, repairs, \$30. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10; missions, \$7.50. Total for all objects, \$47.50.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of church building, \$700. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

Mr. S. R. McAlpin conducts services here the first Sunday of every month; also one Friday night every month. Archdeacon Williams has services here occasionally.

W. D. WILLIAMS, Archdeacon.

PINE BLUFF, JEFFERSON COUNTY.**Trinity Parish.**

The Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, Rector: residence, The Rectory, 802 West Second Avenue; Horatio Riley, Lay Reader; Nichols B. Trulock and Robert E. Lee, Wardens; Frank B. Tomlinson, Clerk; Robert E. Lee, Treasurer.

Number of families, 160. Number of individuals, 525. Whole number baptised persons, 401. Number of confirmed persons last report, 320. Number of confirmed persons this report, 328. Number communicating during the year, 300. Baptisms—Infants, 25; adults, 7. Confirmations, 10. Marriages, 7. Burials, 9. Sunday School—Teachers, 15; pupils, 160; total, 175. Public Services—On Sunday, 115; on other days, 122; Holy Communion celebrated, 52. Sittings in the church, 400; free, assigned, rented.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$125.15; current expenses, \$2,225.15; payment of debts, \$3,000; other Parochial expenses, viz: Furnishing rectory, \$350; improvements in Parish, \$200; special for music, \$350; total, \$900. Diocesan—Assessment, \$250; missions, \$100; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$13; aged and infirm Clergy, \$14. Missions—General, \$25; domestic, \$10; American Church Building Fund, \$20; University of the South, \$10. Total for all objects, \$6,692.65.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$6,000; value of church building, \$17,500; value of rectory, \$5,000; total value of all Parish property, \$28,500. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,900.

Trinity Church Association has raised in the past year \$200. The Young Ladies' Guild has raised \$240. The Daughters of the King have increased twelve in number during the past year. Words fail to tabulate the great good this Order has done and is doing for the Kingdom. The Junior Daughters of the King, under the efficient leadership of Miss Martha Valliant, have done a most beautiful and splendid work. The Easter offering amounted to \$550 in cash. The rectory, which is one of the handsomest in the South, is nearly paid for. We now have the best choir in the history of the Parish. *In toto* everything is most encouraging.

POCAHONTAS, RANDOLPH COUNTY.

Ascension Mission.

The Rev. J. C. France, Missionary; residence, Jonesboro, Ark.; John Cyril France, Lay Reader.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 12. Whole number baptised persons, 14. Number of confirmed persons last report, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 10. Number persons communicating, 6. Public Services—On other days, 15; Holy Communion celebrated, 1.

Services are supported by endowment, by pew rents, by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10; missions, \$3.25. Total for all objects, \$13.25.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$50.

ROGERS, BENTON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Mission.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 14. Whole number baptised persons, 20. Number of confirmed persons last report, 7. Number of confirmed persons this report, 7. Number communicating during the year, 6. Baptisms—Infants, 2.

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Services are supported by endowment, by pew rents, by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; missions, \$3.40; total, \$8.40.

SEARCY, WHITE COUNTY.

Trinity Mission.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Missionary; T. B. Paschall, Warden; Thomas C. Jones, Clerk; W. C. Dugan, Treasurer.

Number of families, 11. Whole number baptised persons, 33. Number of confirmed persons last report, 22. Number of confirmed persons this report, 23. Number communicating during the year, 21. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 18; total, 21. Public Services—On Sundays, 39; on other days, 45; Holy Communion celebrated, 21.

Services are supported by endowment, by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$6.25; current expenses, \$344.35. Diocesan—Assessment, \$12; missions, \$1.50; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$2; aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.15; Arkansas Church Building Fund, \$7.20. Missions—General, \$2.85; University of the South, \$1; General Clergy Relief Fund, \$1.45; Sunday School Lent Offerings, \$10. Total for all objects, \$391.75.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; cash in bank for building fund, \$682.15; other Parish property, \$400. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,282.15.

On Wednesday morning of Holy Week, the chapel was struck by lightning and burned. Insurance collected on building and furniture, \$640. Plans are being prepared for a new building.

SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY.

Grace Mission.

Augustus Michael Treschow, Missionary; residence, Mena, Polk County, Ark.

Number of families, 9. Number of individuals, 17. Whole number baptised persons, 14. Number of confirmed persons last report, 13. Number of confirmed persons this report, 13. Number communicating during the year, 17. Public Services—On other days, 7; Holy Communion celebrated, 6.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15.

VAN BUREN, CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Trinity Parish.

The Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, Rector; residence, Van Buren, Ark.; Sidney Pernot and Henry Faber, Wardens; Frank Kerr, Clerk; Charles Pape, Treasurer.

Number of families, 75. Number of individuals, 195. Number of confirmed persons last report, 121. Number of confirmed persons this report, 132. Number communicating during the year, 100. Baptisms—Infants, 6; adults, 2. Confirmations, 9. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3. Sunday School—Teachers, 10; pupils, 80; total, 90. Public Services—On Sunday, 119; on other days, 90; Holy Communion celebrated, 69. Sitzings in the church, 250; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$32.94; current expenses \$808.74; church improvements, \$796.82; Easter offering, \$146.09; amount of debt, \$290.24; money given for an oak pulpit, \$125; Christmas offering, \$10.39; Sunday School offering, \$49.06. Diocesan—Assessment, \$62.50; missions, \$41.90; aged and infirm Clergy, Diocesan \$5, general, \$1.50; total \$6.50; Woman's Auxiliary, Church at Conway, \$1; Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$1; Ladies' Guild, Church in Georgia, \$1; whole amount the Ladies' Guild raised, \$128.55; whole amount the Daughters of the King raised, \$8.40; whole amount the Woman's Auxiliary raised, \$9.35. Missions—Lenten offering Sunday School, general, \$49.25; foreign, \$3.60; University of the South, \$3.25. Total for all objects, \$2,072.20.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000; value of church building, \$2,500; value of rectory, \$2,500; endowments or invested funds amount to, \$1,000; total value of all Parish property, \$8,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$290.24.

A beautiful stone wall has been put around two sides of the church. A splendid stone and cement entrance has been added, which is the finest piece of work of the kind in the city, and is a work of art. A new large stained glass window has been given and placed in the vestibule. The chancel has been enlarged and improved to make ready for our surpliced choir. A new pulpit has been purchased, costing \$125, and will soon be placed in the church. The church has been the recipient of a gift of \$1,000 for an endowment fund, which is deeply appreciated, and for which we are profoundly grateful. We expect to build a Parish room in the near future, and for this purpose have \$160 on hand. Other improvements are to follow just as fast as we can get the money. We have spent nearly a thousand dollars on improvements during the past year, and thank God most deeply for all His goodness and

mercy. Amount of money raised by Ladies' Guild from April 1, 1901, to April 1, 1902, \$128.55; amount paid out, \$120.04; amount still on hand, \$8.15. Amount raised by Woman's Auxiliary during Advent and Lent, \$9.35; paid out, \$8.95; on hand, .40. United Offering Woman's Auxiliary, \$5.95; Daughters of the King, \$6.90; for initiation and dues, \$1.50; total, \$8.40. These societies have done most loyal work and the Rector wishes to give them well-merited praise.

WASHINGTON, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

Grace Mission.

Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Lay Reader; residence, Hope, Ark.; William S. Eakin, Lay Reader; W. S. Eakin and C. E. Ratcliff, Wardens; Frieda Jagersfeld, Treasurer.

Number of families, 7. Number of individuals, 26. Whole number baptised persons, 26. Number of confirmed persons last report, 16. Number of confirmed persons this report, 18. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10; total, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, 15; on other days, 16; Holy Communion celebrated, 4. Sitzings in the church, 160; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$29.95; other Parochial expenses, viz: For the purpose of church repairs the good ladies of the church and town have raised by entertainments the sum of \$30 under the efficient management of Miss Rosa Wallace. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; missions sent H. C. Rather, \$12.32; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$12; aged and infirm Clergy, \$2; for benefit of the church burned at Searcy, \$4.70. Missions—General, \$7.59. Collected for Easter offerings and at services during Lent, to be applied at the discretion of the Bishop, \$3.29. Total for all objects, \$106.85.

Value of church building, \$300; value of rectory, \$150; endowments or invested funds amount to, \$110. Total value of all Parish property, \$560.

Our Parish, or Mission, as it now is, has made little or no progress within the past year. Our numbers are few, but the flock is fruitful. There are few new people moving in, and no additions to the church. We will, during the coming summer, place a new roof upon the church and make other needed repairs, which will cost about \$100. The old rectory has been sold, and bond for title executed by the Bishop. The first payment of \$50 will be made shortly, and the other two for \$50 each in one and two years. Archdeacon Williams will report upon collections made by him from the offering upon the occasion of his much enjoyed visitations.

WINSLOW, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Stephen's Mission.

The Rev. Emil Julian Hall, Missionary; residence, Winslow, Washington County, Ark.; Mr. Frederick Gregg, Lay Reader; Mr. Frederick Gregg and Mr. William Younge, Wardens; Mr. George Forrest Maitland, Clerk; Dr. Albert Dunlap, Treasurer.

Number of families, 10. Number of individuals, 31. Whole number baptised persons, 24. Number of confirmed persons last report, 27. Number of confirmed persons this report, 28. Number communicating during the year, 15. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 1. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 3. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 33; total, 37. Public Services—On Sunday, 104; on other days, 20; Holy Communion celebrated, 18. Sitzings in the church, 100; free.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$11.55; current expenses, \$53.02. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; missions, \$1.45. Missions—Lenten offerings, \$3. Total for all objects, \$73.57.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of church building, \$400; other Parish property, \$200. Total amount of all Parish property, \$800.

The condition of the work is as good as could be expected, considering the influences that are brought to bear against us from other Christian bodies. We have lost two families by removal, and from this removal three confirmed persons. There are others contemplating leaving for other more promising fields of operation. Property is changing hands. The population is undergoing a change. Old inhabitants leaving and new ones taking their places. This change affects us to some extent. Our church is out of debt. We have just made a residence of our old Guild hall, and have a renter in prospect for the coming summer. The rent will go to defray Church and Sunday School expenses. With all our ups and downs we are sailing over the sea of Time slowly but surely toward the Haven of Rest.

E. J. HALL, Missionary.

WYNNE, CROSS COUNTY.

St. John's Mission.

The Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish, Missionary; residence Forest City.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 18. Whole number baptised persons, 15. Number of persons confirmed this report, 10. Number communicating during the year, 10. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Public Services—On other days, 14; Holy Communion celebrated, 7.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$9.10. Total for all objects, \$9.10.

The present Missionary paid his first visit to St. John's Mission, Wynne, on February 4, 1902. On Wednesday, April 30, the ladies organized themselves into a society, to be known as the Ladies' Guild of St. John's Mission. Services are now held in the parlor of the Dunham House. The lumber for a church, and a lot on which to build, have been promised. The communion alms have been used to defray the Missionary's traveling expenses, and to pay sexton of the Presbyterian Church, where services were held on two occasions, all of which amounts to \$8.70.

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

PARISHES.	Lay Readers.	Number of Families.	Number of Individuals.	Whole Number Baptized Persons.	Number of Confirmed Persons—Last Report.	Number of Confirmed Persons—This Report.	Baptisms—Infants.	Baptisms—Adults.	Baptisms—Total.	Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday School Teachers.	Sunday School Pupils.	Sunday School—Total.	Public Services on Sunday.	Public Services on Other Days.	Holy Communion Celebrated.	Number of Sittings in Church.	Free, Assigned, Lent.	Services Supported by.
Batesville, St. Paul's.	1	40	150	125	91	100	1	2	3	1	3	4	9	66	74	40	20	8	250	u	
Camden, St. John's.	1	24	115	100	44	32	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	21	25	56	30	8	180	u	
Eureka Springs, St. James's.	1	24	77	57	32	37	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	20	25	100	30	8	100	u	
Fayetteville, St. Paul's.	1	10	200	200	150	140	10	3	10	3	4	4	4	45	49	28	80	30	250	u	
Forrest City, Good Shepherd.	1	16	80	89	48	47	3	3	6	3	4	4	4	45	49	28	80	30	250	u	
Fort Smith, St. John's.	1	91	197	300	330	336	10	2	12	10	4	6	17	150	159	200	100	60	300	u	
Helena, St. John's.	1	112	425	344	285	292	5	4	14	14	4	6	17	140	157	126	143	87	550	u	
Hope, St. Mark's.	1	22	69	69	36	40	1	2	3	17	4	7	3	15	18	30	35	3	160	u	
Hot Springs, St. Luke's.	1	136	332	277	140	134	6	4	10	17	4	7	7	70	77	98	39	20	500	u	
Little Rock, Christ Church.	1	375	1,100	901	601	615	21	6	27	36	8	8	46	325	371	110	125	36	750	u	
Little Rock, Trinity Cathedral.	1	100	500	440	200	204	25	3	25	12	3	7	10	100	110	150	36	52	450	u	
Mammoth Spring, St. Andrew's.	1	4	25	22	12	9	2	1	3	1	1	1	5	25	30	48	10	12	100	u	
Marion, St. Andrew's.	1	26	86	79	53	54	9	2	3	9	1	1	5	25	30	78	42	26	120	u	
Morrilton, St. Agnes's.	3	7	7	5	6	7	16	7	3	4	4	4	7	65	72	115	122	52	200	u	
Nashville, Redeemer.	3	3	7	5	6	7	16	7	3	4	4	4	7	65	72	115	122	52	200	u	
Newport, St. Paul's.	60	137	137	88	82	85	3	7	3	4	4	4	15	160	175	115	122	52	400	u	
Pine Bluff, Trinity.	1	160	525	401	280	285	6	2	8	9	3	3	10	80	90	119	90	69	250	u	
Van Buren, Trinity.	1	75	195	195	121	132	6	2	8	9	3	3	10	80	90	119	90	69	250	u	
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.																					
Arkansas City, St. Clement's.	5	24	24	24	4	4	3	2	5	3	2	3	3	12	15	16	5	3	100	u	
Brinkley, St. Luke's.	10	50	50	50	33	33	3	1	4	5	2	3	3	30	33	29	8	12	100	u	
Jonesboro, St. Mark's.	12	40	35	35	25	25	3	1	4	5	2	3	3	30	36	48	48	6	150	u	
Little Rock, St. Philip's.	25	157	157	157	75	70	10	8	18	12	3	6	6	50	56	52	36	12	150	u	
Prescott, St. James's.	1	7	10	10	8	8	2	1	3	1	1	1	3	16	21	10	6	1	1	u	
Searcy, Trinity.	11	23	23	23	22	23	2	1	3	1	1	1	3	16	21	39	45	21	1	u	
Siloam Springs, Grace.	9	17	13	13	13	13	13	1	3	1	1	1	3	16	21	39	45	21	1	u	
Washington, Grace.	7	23	23	23	16	16	16	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	12	15	16	4	160	u	

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Baring Cross, St. Barnabas's	1	10	50	50	5	11	9	4	13	5		1	1	30	31	6	5		96	a	h
Booneville		8	40	25	13	13							4	25	29	40	10				h
Clarendon, Christ		2	19	19	15	9															h
Conway, St. Peter's		4	15	12	4	4							3	12	15	10	6	3	15	a	h
Dardanelle, St. Paul's		3	8	8												2					
Des Arc, St. James's		4	8			11				1						10	1	1			
Devall's Bluff, All Saints		6		7	11	12															
Dumas, Grace		3	12	12	4	1															
El Dorado		1	12	2	4	1															
Foreman, St. Barnabas's		11	28	24	15	18							3	9	12	5		5			
Lake Village, Immanuel		22	80	80	25	19				2		1	2	6	8	16	6	3	100	a	h
Lonoke, St. Mark's		11		7	5	1										14	10	2	90	a	h
Medford, St. Mary's		2	8	8	1	2			1												h
Mena, Christ		20	59	59	37	34	1		1	8			5	21	26	37	15	10	45	a	h
Monticello, St. Mary's		5	28	27	11	11							2	10	12	19	8	2			h
Oscola, Calvary		4	14	20	8	8										20					h
Paragould, Holy Communion			15	12	12	10										4	12	1			h
Pocahontas, Ascension		1	4	12	14	7	2		2								15				h
Rogers		4	14	20	27	28	3	1	3	4			4	33	37	104	20	18	100	a	h
Winslow, St. Stephen's	1	10	31	24	10	10	1		1	1							14	7			h
Wynne, St. John's		3	18	15	10																h
Total	19	1,554	5,047	4,573	3,086	3,077	156	50	206	100	50	95	210	1,650	1,860	1,818	1,272	671	6,441		

* (a) Free, (b) Assigned, (c) Rented. † (d) Endowment, (e) Pew Rents, (f) Annual Subscriptions, (g) Weekly Envelope System, (h) Voluntary Contributions.

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.	Parochial—														Total.
	Community Aims.	Parochial— Current Expenses.	Parochial— Payment of Debt.	Parochial— Other Expenses.	Dioceean— Assessment.	Dioceean—Missions.	Dioceean— Permanent Episcopate Fund.	Dioceean— Aged and Infirm Clergy.	Dioceean— Other Objects.	Missions—General.	Missions—Foreign.	Missions—Domestic.	Theological Depart- ment University of the South.	Other Objects With- out the Diocese.	
Booneville	\$ 2 00		\$ 100 00	\$ 750 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 6 95	\$ 45								\$ 764 40
Conway, St. Peter's		20 00		25 00											145 00
Des Arc, St. James's		9 25		3 50		1 00									12 95
Devall's Bluff, All Saints		67 50			2 75					1 07	2 05				74 75
Foreman, St. Barnabas's			50 00		10 00	3 00	1 20							1 75	64 42
Lake Village, Immanuel	1 50	238 70	72 00	686 90	15 00	2 40	2 00								333 65
Lonoke, St. Mark's	2 50	45 00			5 00					75					744 55
Medford, St. Mary's		133 04		15 20	5 00										138 04
Mena, Christ		210 62			25 00	1 00	3 45				9 26				338 12
Monticello, St. Mary's		71 75			15 00		2 30						3 50		138 04
Osceola, Calvary						3 15									89 05
Pocahontas, Ascension					10 00	3 25									3 15
Rogers					5 00	3 40									8 40
Winslow, St. Stephen's	11 55	53 02												3 00	67 57
Wynne, St. John's	9 10														9 10
Total	\$ 1,300 80	\$22,082 34	\$5,123 65	\$14,171 65	\$2,103 00	\$778 86	\$31 50	\$136 32	\$459 92	\$453 52	\$86 12	\$140 35	\$303 01	\$628 42	\$47,586 46

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—*Concluded.*

PARISHES.	Value of all Parish Lands Exclusive of Buildings.	Value of Church Building.	Value of Rectory.	Value of Other Parish Property.	Endowment or Other Funds Invested Amount to.	Total Value of all Parish Property.	Total Indebtedness of Parish.
Batesville, St. Paul's	\$ 700	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,800	\$	\$	\$ 4,500	\$
Camden, St. John's	1,000	2,500	800			4,300	
Eureka Springs, St. James's	1,500	500	500			2,500	
Fayetteville, St. Paul's	2,000	4,000	3,000		600	9,600	
Forrest City, Good Shepherd	1,800	3,000	800			5,600	
Fort Smith, St. John's	5,000	20,000	3,000			28,000	1,100
Helena, St. John's	3,000	30,000	3,500	3,600		40,100	
Hope, St. Mark's	1,150	1,000	500	350		3,000	
Hot Springs, St. Luke's	10,000	17,000		5,800		32,800	
Little Rock, Christ Church	14,500	60,000	6,000	1,000		81,500	
Little Rock, Trinity Cathed'l	10,000	25,000	3,000			38,000	
Mammoth Sp'g, St. Andrew's	200	1,500	800			2,500	
Marianna, St. Andrew's	50	2,500	2,000			5,000	400
Morrilton, St. Agnes's	300	1,300	400		20	2,020	
Nashville, Redeemer	100	800				900	
Newport, St. Paul's	800	500	1,500			2,800	
Pine Bluff, Trinity	6,000	17,500	5,000			28,500	1,900
Van Buren, Trinity	2,000	2,500	2,500		1,000	8,000	
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.							
Arkansas City, St. Clement's	600	1,000				1,600	
Brinkley, St. Luke's	250	1,000		120		1,370	50
Jonesboro, St. Mar's	300	1,000	1,200			2,500	
Little Rock, St. Philip's	500	500	500			1,500	
Prescott, St. James's	300	700				1,000	
Hearcy, Trinity	200	*682		400		1,282	
Siloam Springs, Grace					20	20	
Washington, Grace		300	150		110	560	
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.							
Booneville	250	750				1,000	
Clarendon, Christ							
Conway, St. Peter's	300	1,000				1,300	300
Dardanelle, St. Paul's	100	500	50			650	
Foreman, St. Barnabas's	100	*650		100		850	
Lake Village, Immanuel	1,500	700				2,200	15
Lonoke, St. Mark's	60	475		150		685	
Medford, St. Mary's							
Mona, Christ	200	750	500			1,450	
Monticello, St. Mary's	600	600				1,200	
Paragould, Holy Communion							
Pocahontas, Ascension	50					50	
Winslow, St. Stephen's	100	400		300		800	
Total	\$65,900	\$202,807	\$37,500	\$11,840	\$1,730	\$319,637	\$1,650

*Cash in bank for rebuilding.

Missions.

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means apportion the sum of \$2,500 among the several Parishes and Missions as a minimum amount to be raised for missions, to be collected in such manner as each Parish or Mission may determine, and paid quarterly to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions, who shall retain 40 per cent of the amounts so paid for the work in this Diocese, and remit quarterly the remaining 60 per cent to the Treasurer of the General Board at New York.

GENERAL CLERGY RELIEF FUND.—Corporate Title, “Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.”

The general and official society for clerical relief covering the whole Church. Canon 8, Title 3. The General Convention recommends Quinquagesima Sunday for an annual offering from every Church, and that a percentage of the Communion Alms be given to this fund.

Assistant Treasurer and Financial Agent,

REV. ALFRED J. P. MCCLURE,

The Church House, 12th and Walnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

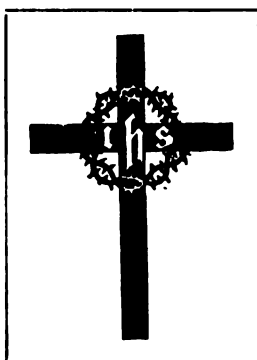
Notice.

The Thirty-first Annual Council will convene (D. V.) on the second Wednesday in May (13th), 1903, at Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.

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Special Offerings.

**Recommended by the Council and the Dates
on which they shall be made.**

**DIOCESAN MISSIONS, on the first Sunday in Lent, and on
Trinity Sunday.**

**EPISCOPATE FUND, on Septuagesima Sunday, or on Easter
Day.**

**AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY, and WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE, on National
Thanksgiving Day.**

**THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, on
the first Sunday in Advent.**

**AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION, an Annual
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DIOCESAN OFFICERS.

Bishop.

The Right Rev. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY BROWN, D. D.,
Thirteenth and Scott Streets, Little Rock.

The Ven. W. D. WILLIAMS, M. A., D. D.,
Archdeacon of Western Arkansas,
Little Rock.

Standing Committee.

The Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, D. D., *President, Helena.*
Mr. P. K. ROOTS, *Secretary, 1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.*
The Rev. G. GORDON SMEADE, *Little Rock.*
The Rev. W. D. BUCKNER, *Pine Bluff.*
Mr. JOS. A. REEVES, *Camden.*

Secretary.

Mr. JOHN M. DAGGETT, *Marianna.*

Treasurer.

Mr. P. K. ROOTS, *1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.*

Trustee of the Episcopate Fund.

Mr. S. S. FAULKNER, *First National Bank, Helena.*

Registrar.

Mr. FAY HEMPSTEAD, *Masonic Temple, Little Rock.*

Chancellor.

Mr. JOHN T. HICKS, *Little Rock.*
(Term Expires 1906.)

Committee on Judiciary.

The CHANCELLOR, *Ex-Officio President.*
Mr. John Gatling. Mr. William G. Whipple.

Committee on Education.

Rev. WM. M. BROWN, D. D., *Chairman.*

Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D.

Rev. R. W. Rhames,	Mr. John T. Hicks,
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade,	Mr. P. K. Roots,
Rev. David L. Trimble,	Mr. John Gatling, .
Mr. N. B. Trulock,	Mr. Morris C. Tombler.

Board of Managers—Diocesan Missions.

The BISHOP, *Ex-Officio President.*

The Archdeacon and Canons of Convocation, Ex-Officio Members.

The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D. The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

The Rev. Walter D. Buckner.

Mr. Nichols B. Trulock, *Secretary.*

Mr. H. C. Rather, The Citizens Bank, Little Rock, *Treasurer.*

Mr. John Gatling.

Canons of Convocation.

Little Rock Convocation—The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A.

Helena Convocation—The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D.

Fort Smith Convocation—The Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, M. A.

Batesville Convocation—The Rev. R. W. Rhames, M. A.

Examining Chaplains.

The Rev. G. DEWITT DOWLING, M. A., *Chairman.*

The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D. The Rev. R. W. Rhames, M. A., B. D.

The Rev. Jos. J. Cornish, M. A. The Rev. Percy J. Robottom, M. A.

Preacher of Council Sermon.

Alternate.

Diocesan Architect.

Mr. C. L. Thompson, Arkansas Building, *Little Rock.*

Diocesan Representation in the General Institutions of the Church.

Deputies to the General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D.	Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.
The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Mr. P. K. Roots,
The Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D.	Mr. John H. Rodgers.
The Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Mr. John T. Hicks.

Substitutes for Deputies to the General Convention.

In the order of their election.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. J. Percy Robottom.	Mr. John M. Daggett.
The Rev. R. W. Rhames.	Mr. N. B. Trulock.
The Rev. A. A. Robertson.	Mr. Morris C. Tombler.
The Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D.	Mr. H. C. Rather.

Delegates to the Missionary Council.

Appointed at General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D.	Mr. P. K. Roots,
The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D.	Mr. John M. Daggett.

Elected By The Council 1902.

The Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling.	Mr. J. Conway Fitzhugh.
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Trustees of the University of the South.

The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D.

(Term Expires, 1904.)

Mr. John M. Daggett (1906).	Mr. H. C. Rather (1904).
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Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

The Ven. W. D. Dilliams, D. D.

(Term Expires 1904)

The Official List of the Clergy of the Diocese of Arkansas.

Bishop.

The Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., 1222 Scott Street, Little Rock, Ark.

THE PAROCHIAL CLERGY.

Priests.

The Rev. Canon Charles Harry Lockwood, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Helena. Canon of the Convocation of Helena, 1888.

The Rev. Canon George Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector of Christ Church, Little Rock. Canon of the Convocation of Little Rock, 1896.

The Rev. Isaac Pinoy Daniels (colored), 1111 West Fourteenth Street, Little Rock. Minister in charge of the Rocky Comfort Missionary District, 1893.

The Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, B. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, 1898.

The Rev. Canon Joshua Brown Whaling, B. D., Rector of the Missionary Parish of Trinity, Van Buren, and Minister in charge of St. Stephen's Mission, Winslow. Canon of the Convocation of Fort Smith, 1899. (Since adjournment of Council accepted call to Agentville.)

The Rev. Canon Robert William Rhames, M. A., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Batesville. Canon of the Convocation of Batesville, 1899.

The Ven. William Daniel Williams, D. D., Archdeacon of Arkansas. Official Secretary of the Board of Managers for Diocesan Missions; Private Secretary to the Bishop. Residence, Little Rock, 1899.

The Very Rev. John Percy Robottom, M. A., Dean of Trinity Cathedral. Little Rock, 1900.

The Rev. Angus Archibald Robertson, B. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Fort Smith, 1900. (Since Council adjourned has resigned.)

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, D. D., Minister in charge of St. Paul's Church, Newport, 1900.

The Rev. Gasherle DeWitt Dowling, M. A., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, 1900.



The Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish, B. D., Rector of the Missionary Parish of St. Andrew's, Marianna, 1901.

The Rev. William Allen Fair (Canonically resident in the Diocese of Western New York), Minister in charge of St. Phillip's Mission (colored), Little Rock, 1902.

The Rev. Howard M. Ingham, B. D. (Canonically resident in the Diocese of Ohio), Minister in charge of St. John's Church, Camden, 1902.

The Rev. James Woodward Thompson, Missionary in charge of the Lake Village District, 1902.

Deacons.

The Rev. John Cyril France, Missionary in charge of the Jonesboro District, 1901.

The Rev. August Michael Treschow, Missionary in charge of the Mena District, 1901.

The Nonparochial Clergy.

The Rev. James Junius Vault, M. A., West Palm Beach, Florida, 1876.

The Rev. David Lardner Trimble, B. D., Pine Bluff, Ark., 1883.

The Rev. Richard Sexton James, D. D., LL. D., Eureka Springs, Ark., 1888.

The Rev. Daniel Brech Ramsey, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1892.

The Rev. George Walton Flowers, M. A., 1893.

The Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, M. A., Trinity Mission House, 721 Indigo Street, Columbia, S. C., 1899. (Since Council adjourned accepted Fort Smith.)

The Rev. Louis Ramon Francis Davis, 1901.

Lay Missionaries.

Mr. Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Lay Reader for the Morrilton Missionary District, 1900.

Mr. Alexander Crawford, Ph. D., Lay Reader for the Hope Missionary District, 1902.

Postulants for Holy Orders.

Walter Barwick LeRoy Bruce, M. D.; Deacon's Orders only; admitted January 1, 1901.

Mr. George Drake Arnold; Deacon's Orders only; admitted December 3, 1901.

Candidates for Holy Orders.

Mr. Sylvester Reed McAlpin; Deacon's Orders only; admitted May 3, 1901.

Mr. Newton Hockensmith, M. D.; Deacon's Orders only; admitted May 16, 1902.

Mr. William Phillips Williams; Priest's Orders; admitted October 18, 1902.

Mr. Alexander Crawford; Priest's Orders; admitted October 18, 1902.

LICENSED LAY READERS.

At the request of the several Rectors concerned the following persons have been appointed by me Lay Readers for the Parishes to which they belong for the year beginning with Easter, 1903.

St. Mark's, Hope, Samuel A. Knighton.

Grace, Washington, William S. Eakin.

Church of the Redeemer, Nashville, W. C. Rodgers.

Paragould, W. M. Greene.

St. James's, Eureka Springs, C. F. Ellis, M. D.

St. John's, Harrison, J. P. Clendennin, J. E. Barnard.

St. John's, Helena, Nathan F. Bruce.

Christ Church, Little Rock, Richard H. Parham, Wm. Phillips Williams.

St. John's, Fort Smith, Wm. Armistead Falconer, Edward F. Furner.

St. Paul's, Batesville, J. Conway Fitzhugh.

St. Andrew's, Marianna, Dudley S. Clark.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, James Gillam.

St. John's, Wynne, Bruce Mulkey.

St. John's, Camden, P. Lynch Lee.

St. Luke's, Hot Springs, R. B. Bancroft.

St. Mark's, Jonesboro, J. O. McNary.

Trinity, Pine Bluff, Horatio Riley.

At the request of Archdeacon Williams I have appointed the following persons Lay Readers to work under his directions:

Mr. Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Morrilton.

Mr. N. Hockensmith, M. D., Little Rock.

Mr. Alexander Crawford, Ph. D., Hope.



*PAROCHIAL CHRONOLOGY AND PROPERTY.

(Primary Convention of Diocese August 24, 1871.)

Arkansas City—Organized ; Chapel 1901.
Batesville—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1901.
Booneville—Organized 1900; Chapel 1901.
Brinkley—St. Luke's, Organized ; Chapel .
Camden—St. John's, Organized March 5, 1850; Church, 1853;
Rectory 1882; New Church 1887.
Conway—Organized ; Chapel 1901.
Dardanelle—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.
Eureka Springs—St. James's, Organized 1883; Church .
Fayetteville—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; New
Church 1883; Rectory 1887.
Foreman—St. Barnabas's, Organized ; Chapel 1901.
Forrest City—Good Shepherd, Organized ; Church 1893;
Rectory 1900.
Fort Smith—St. John's, Organized 1847; Church 1858; Rectory
1885; Present Church 1898.
Helena—St. John's, Organized November 29, 1853; Church ;
Rectory 1889; Present Church 1898.
Hope—St. Mark's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1902.
Hot Springs—St. Luke's, Organized ; Church .
Imboden—Organized ; Lot.
Jonesboro—St. Mark's, Organized 1895; Chapel 1900; Rectory
1902.
Lake Village—Immanuel, Organized ; Chapel 1901.
Little Rock—Christ Church, Organized 1839; Present Church
1884-7; Rectory 1874. Trinity, Organized 1873; Cathedral 1884;
Deanery . St. Philip's, Organized 1887; Church 1888; Rectory
St. Paul's, Organized .
Lonoke—St. Mark's, Organized .
Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's, Organized 1888; Church and
Rectory 1889; Parish 1890.
Marianna—St. Andrew's, Organized January 18, 1879; Church
1884; Rectory 1897.
Mena—Christ, Organized 1900; Chapel 1900; Rectory 1901.
Monticello—St. Mary's, Organized ; Chapel 1901.
Morrilton—St. Agnes's, Organized 1888; Church ; Rec-
tory
Nashville—Redeemer, Organized ; Church .
Newport—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church 1882; Rectory 1900.
Paragould—Organized ; Lot.
Pine Bluff—Trinity, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.
Prescott—St. James's, Organized ; Church .
Searcy—Trinity, Organized ; Chapel 1900.
Van Buren—Trinity, Organized ; Church 1887; Rectory, 1900.
Washington—Grace, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.
Winslow—St. Stephen's, Organized ; Chapel .

*The Secretary will thank the Rector or Parish Officers to furnish data by which
the blanks in this list may be correctly filled before publication of the next Journal.

**ROLL OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS AND DELEGATES
DIOCESAN COUNCIL, MAY 13, 1903.**

(Those marked with stars were present at the Council.)

BATESVILLE—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
J. Conway Fitzhugh.*	M. C. Weaver.
H. S. Coleman.	J. E. Roseborough.

CAMDEN—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Joseph A. Reeves.*	James R. Young.
Edward A. Schicker.*	Orlin C. Reeves.
Samuel Q. Sevier.*	P. Lynch Lee.

EUREKA SPRINGS—ST. JAMES'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John C. Cunningham.	
C. F. Ellis.	

FAYETTEVILLE—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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FORREST CITY—GOOD SHEPHERD.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Harry A. Knight.	Walter Gorman.
John Gatling.*	Edward J. Buford.
Ellis Turley.	James Gillam.

FORT SMITH—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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HELENA—ST. JOHN'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Samuel S. Faulkner.*	Hugh Martin.
Jerome B. Pillow.	James C. Tappan.
Nathan French Bruce.	Mercer Elmer West.

HOPE—ST. MARK'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
J. T. West.*	M. H. Barlow.
S. A. Knighton.	George R. Ruffin.
A. A. Gibson.*	Ike Bell.

HOT SPRINGS—ST. LUKE'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
James P. Mellard.*	Charles G. Convers.
Morris C. Tombler.*	John Lonsdale.
Thomas A. Cockburn.*	John H. Avery.

LITTLE ROCK—CHRIST CHURCH.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John T. Hicks.*	C. P. Harnwell.*
H. C. Rather.*	H. M. Bennett.
Rayburn Peay.	R. Walter Polk.

LITTLE ROCK—TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Walter Graham Hall.	Clement H. Yost.*
	P. K. Roots.*
	Charles K. Lincoln.*

MAMMOTH SPRING—ST. ANDREW'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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MARIANNA—ST. ANDREW'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John M. Daggett.*	Francis H. Govan.
Dudley S. Clark.	Joseph F. Rankin.
William A. Compton.	F. Noel Burke.

MORRILTON—ST. AGNES'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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NASHVILLE—REDEEMER.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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NEWPORT—ST. PAUL'S.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Gustave Jones.	
Ernest C. Waterman.	
Henry A. Ridley.*	

PINE BLUFF—TRINITY.

Delegates.	Alternates.
N. B. Trulock.*	George E. Valiant.
Robert E. Lee.	Fred L. Dilley.
Horatio Riley.	J. Hervey Mann.

VAN BUREN—TRINITY.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Philip Scott.	Robert Quarles.
Henry Faber.	Charles Pape.

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Arkansas City—St. Clement's.
Brinkley—St. Luke's.
Jonesboro—St. Mark's.
Little Rock—St. Phillip's.
Prescott—St. James's.
Searcy—St. Thomas's.
Siloam Springs—Grace.

Washington—Grace. Delegates: Wm. Spencer Eakin, Charles Ernest Ratcliff. Alternates: Robert C. Bouldin, Carl von Jagersfeld, Jr.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baring Cross, St. Barnabas.	Lonoke, St. Mark's.
Booneville.	Medford, St. Mary's.
Clarendon, Christ.	Mena, Christ.
Conway, St. Peter's.	Monticello, St. Mary's.
Dardanella, St. Paul's.	Osceola, Calvary.
Des Arc, St. James's.	Paragould.
Devall's Bluff, All Saints.	Pocahontas, Ascension.
Dumas, Grace.	Rogers.
El Dorado.	Winslow, St. Stephen's.
Foreman, St. Barnabas.	Wynne, St. John's.
Lake Village, Emanuel.	

DIOCESAN OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

President—Mrs. J. B. Pillow, Helena.
Vice President of the Little Rock Convocation—Mrs. Logan H. Roots, 923 Scott Street, Little Rock.
Vice President of the Helena Convocation—Mrs. C. H. Lockwood, Helena.
Vice President of the Fort Smith Convocation—Mrs. J. B. Whaling, Van Buren.
Vice President of the Batesville Convocation—Mrs. John Ferrill, Batesville.
Secretary—Mrs. R. W. Rhames, Batesville.
Treasurer—Mrs. P. K. Roots, 1018 Scott Street, Little Rock.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF AUXILIARY.

Directress—Mrs. J. D. Crockett, 1518 State Street, Little Rock.

BABIES' BRANCH OF AUXILIARY.

Directress—Miss Matilda Jordan, 223 East Seventh Street, Little Rock.

OFFICERS OF LOCAL BRANCHES.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, members thirty-five.

President—Mrs. Helen M. Norton.

Secretary—Mrs. Beauregard Morrison, 2403 Louisiana Street.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. H. Kennedy, 1012 Louisiana Street.

Christ Church, Little Rock, members forty.

President—Mrs. Booker Worthen, corner Second and Gaines Streets.

Vice President—Mrs. G. W. Sappington, Sixteenth and Center Streets.

Secretary—Mrs. George H. Lee, 710 West Third Street.

Treasurer—Miss Matilda Jordan, 223 East Seventh Street.

St. John's Church, Helena, members twenty-nine.

President—Mrs. J. C. Rembert.

Vice President—Mrs. C. C. Agee.

Secretary—Mrs. S. S. Faulkner.

Treasurer—Mrs. S. S. Faulkner.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, members eighteen.

President—Mrs. G. DeWitt Dowling, 608 Park Avenue.

Vice President—Mrs. G. G. Latta.

Secretary—Mrs. William Sumpter, 60 Exchange Street.

Treasurer—Mrs. Fred Williams, 402 Park Avenue.

St. Paul's Church, Newport, members thirty.

President—Mrs. William Magoffin.

Secretary—Mrs. Charles H. Wilmans.

Treasurer—Mrs. T. D. Kinman, Jr.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, members twenty-one.

President—Mrs. Ellen Bell, West Barraque Street.

Vice President—Mrs. V. A. Jones, 1015 West Third Street.

Secretary—Mrs. Horatio Riley, 302 West Twelfth Avenue.

Treasurer—Mrs. Valliant, Main Street.

Church of Good Shepherd, Forrest City, members ten.

President—Mrs. John Gatling.

Secretary—Mrs. W. Gorman.

Treasurer—Mrs. W. Gorman.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, members seventeen.

President—Mrs. J. W. Ferrill.

Vice President—Mrs. S. A. Hall.

Secretary—Mrs. Frank Martin.

Treasurer—Mrs. H. L. Miniken.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, members eleven.

President—Mrs. G. W. Chase.

Secretary—Mrs. Thomas Shore.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Sue Walker.

Treasurer—Mrs. G. F. Blanchard.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, members twenty-nine.

President—Mrs. Lewis Bryan.

Secretary—Miss Clara B. Eno.

Treasurer—Miss Clara B. Eno.

Immanuel Church, Lake Village, members fifteen.

President—Mrs. D. H. Reynolds.

Secretary—Miss Alice K. Craig.

Treasurer—

St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, members twelve.

President—Mrs. E. G. Hille.

Secretary—Mrs. E. D. Ragland.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. D. Ragland.

St. John's Church, Camden, members

President—Mrs. M. E. Lockett.

Secretary—Miss Lillian Reeves.

Treasurer—Mrs. M. J. Winston.

OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL BRANCHES OF THE JUNIOR
DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Christ Church, Junior Branch, Little Rock, members seventeen.

President—Miss Mildred Sutton.

Vice President—Miss Elizabeth Gress.

Secretary—Miss Courtney Carroll.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. D. Crockett.

Trinity Church, Junior Branch, Pine Bluff.

President—Miss Martha Valliant.

Vice President—Miss Adele Hunn.

Secretary—Miss Pauline Scull.

Treasurer—Miss Mamie Eagle White.

Journal of Proceedings.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Ark., May 13, 1903,
9:30 a. m.

Morning prayer was said by Rev. C. H. Lockwood, assisted by Rev. W. D. Buckner and Rev. John Cyril France.

At 10 o'clock a. m. the Thirty-first Annual Council was called to order by the Bishop. On a call of the roll of the Clergy prepared by the Bishop every Parochial Clergyman of the Diocese was found present, and the Rev. David L. Trimble, of Pine Bluff, of the nonparochial list.

(See Clergy List Page 7.)

The Bishop appointed as a Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates Revs. George B. Norton, D. D., Joseph J. Cornish and Charles H. Lockwood, B. D.

The committee reported that the Treasurer had officially informed them that every Parish in the Diocese except St. Paul's, Fayetteville, had paid its Diocesan assessment in full, and were thereby canonically entitled to representation at this Council, and submitted a partial list of Lay Delegates, with leave to amend as credentials might afterwards be presented.

(See List Page 11.)

John M. Daggett was unanimously re-elected Secretary.

The Secretary nominated as his assistant the Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, and the nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Council; and the Council was declared duly organized.

The Bishop thereupon appointed the following committees, as required by the Canons:

Ways and Means—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Mr. P. K. Roots, Mr. H. C. Rather.

Auditing and Finance—Mr. H. C. Rather, Mr. John T. Hicks, Mr. John Gatling.

Admission of New Parishes—Rev. R. W. Rhames, Mr. Joseph A. Reeves, Mr. J. T. West.

State of the Church—Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., Mr. P. K. Roots, Mr. N. B. Trulock.

Unfinished Business—Dean J. Percy Robottom, Mr. J. M. Daggett.

Constitution and Canons—Chancellor W. G. Whipple, Rev. J. B. Whaling, Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., Rev. J. Percy Robottom, Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling, Mr. J. C. Fitzhugh, Mr. A. A. Gibson, Mr. John T. Hicks, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. Fay Hempstead.

Episcopal Residence Fund—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Mr. W. G. Whipple, Mr. H. C. Rather, Mr. H. K. Cochran.

And the Council took a recess until 2 p. m.

At 11 o'clock a. m. the Bishop officiated in the ordination of John Cyril France, B. D., and August Michael Treschow, M. A., to the office of Deacon in the Church of God. A celebration of the Holy Communion followed. The Bishop was celebrant, Rev. Joshua B. Whaling read the Epistle and Rev. John Cyril France the Gospel. The ordination sermon was preached by the Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling from the text St. John 1:4-5: "In Him was Life; and the Life was the Light of Men. And the Light shineth in darkness and the darkness overcomes it not."

(Marginal reading of revised version.)

Christ and civilization. Christ is the most potent factor in the upward progress of civilization.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On convening at 2 o'clock p. m., the Council received a message from the Bishop to elect a presiding officer *pro*

tempore and proceed with the business during his temporary absence.

On nomination of Chancellor Whipple, the Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., was unanimously elected President *pro tem.* and assumed the chair.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner submitted his report as Trustee of the Permanant Episcopate Fund, which was referred to the Committee on Auditing and Finance.

(See Appendix II.)

On motion of Chancellor Whipple the thanks of the Council were, by a rising vote, tendered to Trustee Faulkner for the able and efficient manner in which he has managed the fund intrusted to his care.

The Bishop appeared and resumed the chair.

The Bishop read his address, except those portions relative to Missions and to the subject of change of name of the Church.

(See Appendix I.)

That portion of the address recommending amendments to the Canons was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Registrar submitted the following report:

To the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, Bishop of Arkansas, and to the Clergy and Laity, Members of the Venerable Diocesan Council of Arkansas:

Brethren—As Registrar of this Diocese I have the honor to report that nothing has transpired in my office during the current year needing to be particularly mentioned, except the depositing by me in one of the rooms in the tower at Trinity Cathedral of the accumulation of Proceedings of this Diocese and other Dioceses throughout the United States, that have heretofore been in the keeping of the Registrar. As directed by this Council at a previous session, I caused the same to be transported to Trinity Cathedral, which is in every way the appropriate place for their deposit, and stored them there as stated. They consisted of some twelve or fifteen large boxes, containing the accumulation of some thirty-five years of said Proceedings of the various Dioceses throughout the Union, and are doubtless of value in case of reference.

I take this occasion to renew a suggestion made by me at a former session of this Council, that if the Rectors of the several Parishes and Missions in the Diocese will take the pains to collect data concerning their Parishes, showing date of formation, description of property held, when churches, chapels or rectories were built, and if possible what Rectors have from time to time officiated, and any other historical matters relating thereto, and send such data to the Registrar's office, an entry thereof in the records of his office will make a desirable nucleus for the history of such Parish or Mission, of particular service perhaps in future times. Up to this time no Rector in our Diocese has accepted such suggestion, but I myself, out of my personal knowledge and familiarity of events therein, have supplied a fairly full and complete statement which I have entered in our records concerning Trinity Cathedral, Christ Church, and St. Paul's Chapel, of this city; and I have set apart in our register a place for such entries concerning all of our other Parishes and Missions, but as yet all others than the ones named are entirely blank. I hope, indeed, that Priests in our Diocese will see the importance of this proceeding and supply the desired data as best they can, as a means of constructing a history of our Church affairs that will be both interesting and valuable as time goes on.

Respectfully submitted,

FAY HEMPSTEAD,

Registrar.

Little Rock, Ark., May 13, 1903.

On motion the Canon was suspended in order that the Council might meet as a Board of Missions at 8 o'clock p. m. and hear report as announced in the published program.

On motion of Dr. Norton the committee on Constitution and Canons were directed to have their report printed when the same was ready to be made to the Council.

Mr. P. K. Roots submitted his report as Treasurer of the several Diocesan Funds, which was referred to the Committee on Auditing and Finance.

(See Appendix III "a".)

And H. C. Rather, Treasurer Board of Managers.

(See Appendix III "b".)

On motion the Council adjourned till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

MISSIONARY MEETING, 8 P. M.

Council met as a Board of Missions, the Bishop and Clergy entering while singing hymn 516, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

The Rev. W. D. Buckner said prayers.

Hymn 249, "O Zion Haste."

The Bishop read that part of his address touching the work in Arkansas.

(See Appendix I, Page 39.)

Hymn 143, "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult."

Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, chairman, read the report of the Committee on State of the Church.

(See Appendix IV.)

Archdeacon Williams submitted his report.

(See Appendix V.)

After prayers and benediction by the Bishop, was sung as a recessional, hymn 253, "Fling out the Banner."

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

9:30 a. m. Morning prayer was said by Rev. James W. Thompson, assisted by A. A. Robertson, the Bishop pronouncing the absolution.

At 10 o'clock a. m. Council reconvened pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop presiding.

Minutes of first day's proceedings were read and approved.

The report of Committee on Constitution and Canons was as follows:

To the Diocesan Council of Arkansas:

Your Committee beg leave to present the following proposed Canon, namely, that found in the Journal of the Council of 1902, page 18, relating to a colored Convocation, and to report that at the last Annual Council the said proposed Canon was regularly introduced, and then laid over until the present Council. Your Committee respectfully recommend the adoption of said Canon.

2. Your Committee further recommend that section 61 of the Canons be amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 61. When the Council is not in session, the Missionary interests of the Diocese shall be cared for by a Board of Managers consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, as President ex-officio, the Archdeacons and General Missionaries, and three Clergymen and three Laymen to be elected annually by the Council, sitting as a Board of Missions. *The Canons of Convocation shall be ex-officio members of said Board of Managers, and have a voice in the deliberations, but no vote.*"

3. Your Committee further recommend that section 33 of the Canons be amended so as to read as follows, to-wit:

"Sec. 33. When any Parish shall have elected a Rector, and he shall have accepted the call, the Vestry shall file with the Bishop a minute of their proceedings, including the particular agreement on their part and the acceptance of the elected Minister, showing that he accepts on the terms and agreements stipulated by the Vestry. The Bishop shall make record thereof, and the same shall be binding on the parties concerned and held as a firm contract.

"It is expressly herein provided that before any Minister shall be deemed legally and Canonically called as Rector to any Parish the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall first approve of, and consent to, the election and choice of the Vestry of the Parish."

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM G. WHIPPLE, *Chairman.*

REV. C. H. LOCKWOOD,

REV. W. D. WILLIAMS,

REV. J. P. ROBOTOM,

REV. J. B. WHALING,

REV. G. DEWITT DOWLING,

JOHN T. HICKS,

JOHN GATLING,

FAY HEMPSTEAD,

J. C. FITZHUGH,

A. A. GIBSON,

Committee.

The report was taken up *seriatim* on motion to adopt.

Registrar Hempstead presented the following preamble and resolution in amendment of the first recommendation of the Committee:

Whereas, It appearing that since the introduction of the Canon heretofore presented to the Council and reported at page 18 of the Proceedings of this Council for the year 1902, the right of each colored Rector or Parish to a seat in the Council has been voluntarily waived by such Rector and Parish, therefore be it

Resolved, That the proviso in section 54-b be stricken out.

Chancellor Whipple offered an amendment to this resolution to strike out the whole of section 54-b, which amendment was accepted by Mr. Hempstead.

After extended discussion of the whole subject Archdeacon Williams moved to recommit, which motion was lost.

Mr. S. Q. Sevier moved as a substitute the adoption of the preamble presented by Mr. Hempstead and section 54-a and all of section 54-b, except the proviso.

The motion to adopt the substitute was carried unanimously, and being so carried the Canon, as amended by striking out the proviso, was declared duly and constitutionally enacted.

The hour of 12 o'clock noon having arrived the Bishop said prayers for Missions and the Council took a recess till 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Council reconvened at 2 p. m., the Bishop in the chair.

Registrar Hempstead offered the following Canon to be numbered 54-c:

Whenever any Convocation provided for in section 54-a shall desire to present any measures as therein provided, a delegation from such Convocation shall be received on the floor of this Council for the purpose of presenting the same.

The motion to adopt was carried unanimously, and being so carried the Canon was declared duly and constitutionally enacted.

Section 61, as amended by the second recommendation of the Committee, was unanimously adopted, and being so adopted was declared duly and constitutionally enacted.



On motion to adopt the third recommendation of the Committee Mr. S. Q. Sevier moved to amend by interlining after the word "minister," in the addition proposed by the Committee the words "from without the Diocese." The amendment was adopted, and the Canon reported by the Committee as amended was unanimously adopted, and being so adopted was declared duly and constitutionally enacted.

The report of the Standing Committee was submitted as follows:

May 16, 1902—The Standing Committee elected by the Thirtieth Annual Council met in St. John's Church, Helena, and organized by electing the Rev. Charles H. Lockwood President, and P. K. Roots Secretary.

The Committee recommended to the Bishop that J. Cyril France, Newton Hockensmith and August M. Treschow be admitted candidates for Holy Orders; Deacon's Orders only.

The Committee approved the bond of Mr. S. S. Faulkner as Trustee of the Episcopate Fund.

June 3, 1902—Committee met in Little Rock. The Secretary read the Bishop's notice that he had received Messrs. J. Cyril France, Newton Hockensmith and August M. Treschow as candidates for Holy Orders; Deacon's Orders only.

The Committee approved the Bishop's recommendation that the expenses of taxes, insurance, etc., on the Episcopal Residence be paid by Trustee of Episcopate Fund; and that the purchase cost of said residence be included as a part of the Permanent Episcopate Fund.

October 17, 1902—Committee met in Little Rock, and recommended to the Bishop that Messrs. Alexander Crawford and William Phillips Williams be admitted as candidates for Holy Orders.

November 25, 1902—Committee met in Little Rock. Consent was given to the consecration of Rev. Charles M. Beckwith, D. D., to be Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.

Consent was given to the consecration of Rev. Sheldon M. Griswold, D. D., to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Salina.

February 17 and 18, 1903—Committee met in Little Rock, and requested Examining Chaplains to correct, or make out anew, the papers preliminary to the ordination of J. Cyril France.

May 12 and 13, 1903—Committee met in Little Rock, and recommended Mr. John Cyril France and Mr. August M. Treschow to the Bishop for ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons. And also recommended them both to the Bishop as candidates for Priest's Orders.

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report:

Little Rock, Ark., May 14, 1903.

To the Bishop and Council, Diocese of Arkansas:

We, your Examining and Auditing Committee, have to report that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and of the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, and have found the same correct.

H. C. RATHER,
JOHN T. HICKS,
JOHN GATLING,
Committee.

The following communication from the Woman's Auxiliary was received and read:

To the Bishop and Members of the Diocese of Arkansas:

The Woman's Auxiliary, now in session at Christ Church, wish to inform the Bishop and Council that they rejoice in the prosperous condition of the Missionary work in the Diocese and report that the apportionment fund of the Woman's Auxiliary in Arkansas has been paid in full. There are fifty-three delegates in attendance at this meeting of the Auxiliary.

(Signed)

THE SECRETARY.
For the Auxiliary.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner moved that a committee be appointed to report to the Council a suitable resolution of appreciation of the work of the Auxiliary.

The motion was unanimously carried and the Bishop appointed as that committee Mr. S. S. Faulkner and the Rector of St. John's, Helena.

The Bishop, on motion, appointed Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling, Mr. Joseph A. Reeves, and Mr. J. C. Fitzhugh a committee to recommend the place of meeting of the next Annual Council.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood, as Clerical Trustee University of the South, submitted a report of the offerings received by him for the Theological Department for the years 1901, 1902, and 1903, and at his request the same was referred to the Auditing Committee.

(See Appendix VI.)



Mr. Yost submitted the following:

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to call upon each Clergyman in the Diocese to collect such historical data relative to his Parish or Mission, the date of organization thereof, purchase of property therein, Clergymen who have served therein, and such other matters as he may deem desirable, and incorporate the same in a sermon or address which shall be preached by such Clergyman in his said Parish or Mission, and he shall then forward the same to the Registrar of the Diocese for entry in the records in his office.

Resolution was adopted.

Rev. J. W. Thompson submitted the following:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Council that the hearty thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the good people of Little Rock for their hospitable entertainment of the members of the Council in their annual session, and also to Mrs. Logan H. Roots for her kindly reception at her beautiful home.

Resolution was adopted.

Voted to proceed to the election of officers.

The Bishop appointed Rev. A. A. Robertson and Mr. Harnwell tellers.

On motion the Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the Council for the present incumbents for Deputies and Substitutes to the General Convention, which was done, and they were thereupon declared duly elected as follows:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. C. H. Lockwood, B. D.	Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, B. D.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D.	Mr. John H. Rodgers.
Rev. W. D. Buckner, B. D.	Mr. John T. Hicks.

SUBSTITUTES IN THE ORDER OF THEIR ELECTION.

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. J. Percy Robottom.	Mr. John M. Daggett.
Rev. R. W. Rhames, B. D.	Mr. N. B. Trulock.
Rev. A. A. Robertson.	Mr. Morris C. Tombler.
Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D.	Mr. H. C. Rather.

The following nominations were made for members of the Standing Committee:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.
Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom.	
Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling.	
Rev. C. H. Lockwood.	

The tellers reported as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, 29. Rev. G. Gordon Smeade 24, Rev. W. D. Buckner 22, Rev. C. H. Lockwood 24, Mr. Joseph A. Reeves 24, Mr. P. K. Roots 24, and they were declared duly elected.

Whole number of ballots for Chancellor 31, of which Mr. John T. Hicks received 19, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Mr. Fay Hempstead was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

On motion of Mr. Joseph A. Reeves the thanks of the Council were, by a rising vote, tendered to Major P. K. Roots for his long and efficient service as Treasurer, and the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Council for him, which was done, and he was declared duly and constitutionally elected Diocesan Treasurer and Treasurer of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy.

On motion of Mr. Joseph A. Reeves the thanks of the Council were, by a rising vote, tendered to Colonel W. G. Whipple for his long (16 years), faithful and efficient services as Chancellor, to which Colonel Whipple feelingly responded.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Council for Mr. S. S. Faulkner as Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, which was done, and he was declared duly and constitutionally elected.



The Bishop appointed Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., a member of the Committee on Education, and the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Council for the present incumbents for the elective members, which was done, and they were declared duly elected, as follows:

Rev. R. W. Rhames.	Mr. John T. Hicks.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
Rev. David L. Trimble.	Mr. John Gatling.
Mr. N. B. Trulock.	Mr. Morris C. Tombler.

On nomination Mr. W. G. Whipple and Mr. John Gatling were elected members of the Committee on Judiciary.

Upon ballot, duly reported by the tellers, Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling was declared elected Clerical Delegate, and Mr. J. Conway Fitzhugh Lay Delegate to the Missionary Council.

Mr. John M. Daggett was unanimously re-elected Trustee for the University of the South, for term expiring 1906.

Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., was unanimously elected Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

The Bishop retired and Rev. C. H. Lockwood took the chair as President *pro tempore*.

On motion of Rev. R. W. Rhames the report of the Treasurer of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy was read for information, and Archdeacon Williams made an extended verbal report of the action of the Committee appointed at the last Council, to whom was referred the subject of a merger of the Diocesan Fund with the General Clergy Relief Fund. No further action by the Council at this time was deemed necessary.

On motion of Mr. S. S. Faulkner the subject of Clergy Relief was made special order for to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

On motion the Council took a recess until 8 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

After prayers the Bishop read that part of his address relating to the change of name of the Church, and at its conclusion offered the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas does not desire a change in the legal title of the Church.
2. *Resolved*, That this Council desires that the phrase "According to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America" be omitted from the title page of "The Book of Common Prayer."
3. *Resolved*, That a minute of the action of this Council be sent to the Joint Committee on the Change of Name.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade offered the following as a substitute:

Whereas, The General Convention, through a committee, solicits an expression of opinion as to the present name of the Church, known in law as the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States;

Resolved, That we, the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, do not regard a change in name as necessary or expedient.

Remarks were made by Colonel W. G. Whipple, Fay Hempstead, Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling, Rev. W. Allen Fair, Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. D. L. Trimble, John T. Hicks, Rev. Dr. George B. Norton, Rev. R. W. Rhames, Archdeacon Williams, and Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

The motion being upon the adoption of the substitute the Roll of Clergy was called, and twelve voted in the affirmative and five in the negative, those voting in the negative being the Bishop, Rev. David L. Trimble, Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, and Rev. George B. Norton, D. D.

Thereupon the Roll of Parishes was called and all the Parishes present, ten, voted aye.

The Secretary in casting the vote of his Parish explained that he did so under instructions by a vote of 14 to 2, while

personally he was most heartily in favor of a change in the legal title.

Council adjourned till to-morrow at 10 a. m.

THIRD DAY.

Council convened pursuant to adjournment, Rev. C. H. Lockwood, President *pro tem.*, in the chair.

Record of the Journal of second day's proceedings was read and approved.

The Bishop appeared and resumed the chair.

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report:

Little Rock, Ark., May 15, 1903.

To the Bishop and Council, Diocese of Arkansas:

We, your Examining and Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Rev. C. H. Lockwood, as Trustee for the Theological Department of the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., have to report that we have examined the said report and find the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER,
JOHN T. HICKS,
JOHN GATLING,

Committee.

The report was adopted.

(See Appendix VI.)

. Special Committee on Auxiliary submitted the following report:

Whereas, The Council has received from the Woman's Auxiliary, Diocese of Arkansas, now holding its annual meeting at Christ Church, this city, a communication with the good news that it has paid in full the apportionment made upon it by the General Church;

Resolved, That the Council of the Diocese now assembled in annual session in Trinity Cathedral, places on record its high regard for and grateful appreciation of the work that the Woman's Auxiliary is doing for the Church in this Diocese as well as for the Church at large.

Resolved, That the congratulations of the Council be tendered to the Woman's Auxiliary for the work accomplished, especially the splendid showing of the past year.

Resolved, That in the judgment of the Council it would be a wise plan to arrange for the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary next year, the opening service and first session to be Wednesday morning at the meeting of the Council, so as to give the members of the Council an opportunity to attend.

Resolved, That a copy of the above preamble and resolutions be sent, with the earnest greetings of the Council to the Woman's Auxiliary.

Adopted unanimously.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood submitted the following letter and report:

New York, May 7, 1903.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Helena, Ark.:

My Dear Sir—As our Clerical Commissioner for the Diocese of Arkansas I send you enclosed a statement of the contributions received from Churches in your Diocese the past year for the Building Fund. I also send a memorandum of the loans and gifts made to churches in Arkansas.

I shall send you (addressed care of Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock) copies of our Annual Report, which I hope you will have distributed at your Diocesan Convention, May 13.

It is desirable that these reports reach *laymen*, as copies have been sent to the Clergy by mail. Please note that we are making gifts of money more generally than loans.

I remain, yours very sincerely,

J. NEWTON PERKINS,

Corresponding Secretary.

DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

Total amount contributed to the Building Fund in twenty-one years, from 1881 to 1903, \$153.25.

Contributed since January—Searcy, Trinity Church, \$1.20.

Loans have been made as follows: Dardanelle, Witcherville, Mammoth Spring, Forrest City, Hot Springs, Marianna (all paid in full with interest), \$6,762.91.

Gifts have been made as follows: Monticello, Lake Village, Lonoke, Conway, Foreman, amounting to \$500.

The amount of the Permanent Fund at present, \$375,593.78.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood the attention of the Clergy was called to Standing Resolution, Proceedings 1901,

page 19, and an annual offering from every Parish was strongly urged.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood reported that he had in his hands funds amounting to \$37.08 heretofore collected on pledges for specific Clergy Relief, object of which was afterwards changed, and on motion the amount was directed to be sent to the Treasurer of the General Clergy Relief Fund as a special contribution from the Diocese.

Special order at 11 o'clock, the subject of General Clergy Relief was taken up, and after discussion it was

Moved, That the report of the Committee on the Diocesan Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen with reference to merging the fund with the Trustees of the General Clergy Relief Fund be approved and the Committee continued.

Carried.

Mr. S. S. Faulkner moved that the recommendation in the Bishop's address, that the offerings received at his official visitations be used for the increase of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, be adopted. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Examining Chaplains submitted the following report:

The Examining Chaplains respectfully report that on May 12, 1903, John Cyril France and August Michael Treschow, candidates for Priest's Orders, and Newton Hockensmith, M. D., candidate for Deacon's Orders only, were examined in the subjects covered by the first canonical examination, and were recommended to the Standing Committee as having satisfactorily passed the examinations.

G. DEWITT DOWLING,

Chairman Examining Committee.

Dr. Norton introduced the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the Secretary of the Council \$100 for his services.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of Trinity Cathedral the sum of \$5 for his services at the present meeting of the Council.

Resolved, That the Secretary have one thousand copies of the Journal printed and distributed as usual.

Committee on Place of Meeting for the next annual Council reported that they unanimously recommended Pine Bluff. The recommendation was unanimously approved.

The Council resolved itself into a Board of Missions.

The Secretary of the Board of Managers submitted his report.

(See Appendix VII.)

It was moved by John T. Hicks that the present Board of Managers be re-elected. The motion prevailed and the old Board was declared duly re-elected, as follows:

Rev. C. H. Lockwood.	Mr. H. C. Rather.
Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Mr. John Gatling.
Rev. Walter D. Buckner.	

The Board of Missions was dissolved and the Council resumed its sitting.

Committee on Ways and Means submitted the following:

To the Bishop and Council, Diocese of Arkansas:

The Committee on Ways and Means respectfully report for Diocesan assessment and Missionary apportionment (50 per cent to Diocesan Missions and 50 per cent to the General Board at New York, and if the General Board on September 1, 1903, make any change in the apportionment of \$1,000 in round numbers, then the Treasurer of the Board is to retain and remit *pro rata*) the following amounts:

Parish or Mission.	Diocesan Assessment.	Missionary Apportionment.
Christ Church, Little Rock	\$450	\$450
Trinity, Pine Bluff.....	250	250
St. John's, Helena.....	250	250
St. Luke's Hot Springs.....	200	200
St. John's Fort Smith.....	175	175
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	175	175
St. Paul's, Batesville.....	100	100
St. Paul's, Fayetteville.....	100	100
Trinity, Van Buren.....	100	100
St. Paul's, Newport.....	100	100
St. John's, Camden.....	75	75

Parish or Mission.	Diocesan Assessment.	Missionary Apportionment.
St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	\$ 50	\$ 50
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	50	50
St. James's, Eureka Springs.....	40	40
St. Mark's, Hope.....	30	30
Trinity, Searcy.....	25	25
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.....	10	10
Christ Church, Mena.....	25	25
St. Luke's, Brinkley.....	20	20
Immanuel, Lake Village.....	20	20
St. Agnes's, Morrilton.....	10	10
St. Philip's, Little Rock.....	15	15
St. Mark's, Jonesboro.....	15	15
St. Mary's, Monticello.....	15	15
Grace, Washington.....	15	15
St. Barnabas, Foreman.....	10	10
Redeemer, Nashville.....	10	10
Grace, Siloam Springs.....	10	10
St. Clement's, Arkansas City.....	20	20
St. James's, Prescott.....	10	10
Ascension, Pochahontas.....	10	10
St. Mary's, Medford.....	10	10
St. John's, Harrison.....	10	10
Fulton.....	5	5
St. Stephen's, Winslow.....	5	5
St. Mark's, Conway.....	5	5
St. Mark's, Lonoke.....	5	5
St. Andrew's, Rogers.....	5	5
Holy Communion, Paragould.....	5	5
Calvary, Osceola.....	5	5
Ascension, Booneville.....	5	5
St. Matthias, Dermott.....	5	5
St. Mark's, Pulaski Heights.....	5	5
Holy Trinity, Berryville.....	4	4
St. James's, Des Arc.....	2	2
Mission at El Dorado.....	2	2
St. Barnabas, Baring Cross.....	2	2
St. John's, Wynne.....	2	2
Total.....	\$2,427	\$2,427

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. BUCKNER,
W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D.,
S. S. FAULKNER,
P. K. ROOTS,

Committee.

The report, assessment and apportionment were unanimously adopted and approved.

Approval of the minutes of to-day's proceedings was left with the Bishop and Secretary.

After collects and benediction by the Bishop, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

WM. M. BROWN,
Bishop of Arkansas.

Attest:

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary.

APPENDIX I.

FIFTH ADDRESS

TO THE

ANNUAL COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE
OF ARKANSAS

BY THE

RT. REV. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY BROWN, D. D.

*Bishop of Arkansas.**Brethren in the Lord:*

It is my great privilege to welcome you to the Thirty-first Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, and may I commend you to the God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the Great Shepherd and Bishop of your souls, and pray that He, through His blessed Son and the Holy Spirit, may make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you and through this Council, that which is well pleasing in His sight, and for the good of His Apostolic Church in this Diocese.

NECROLOGY.

Since our last Annual Council the following Bishops in the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church of God, belonging to the American Branch of the Anglican Communion, have passed from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant, namely:

The Rt. Rev. Francis McNeece Whittle, D. D., LL.D., the fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, and the eighty-seventh in the American Apostolic Succession. He was consecrated on April 30, 1868, and died on June 18, 1902, in the thirty-fifth year of his Episcopate.

The Rt. Rev. Robert Woodward Barnwell, D. D., the third Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, and the 198th in the American Apostolic Succession. He was consecrated on July 25, 1900, and he died July 24, 1902, in the second year of his Episcopate.

The Rt. Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, D. D., LL. D., the second Bishop of the Diocese of Mississippi, and the 129th in the American Apostolic Succession. He was consecrated on February 24, 1883, and he died on November 18, 1902, in the nineteenth year of his Episcopate.

The Rt. Rev. Frederic Taylor, D. D., the second Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy and the 200th in the American Apostolic Succession. He was consecrated on August 6, 1901, and died on April 26, 1903, in the second year of his Episcopate.

It seems fitting that in this connection I should record that on the morning of Tuesday, December 23, the Most Rev. Frederic Temple, D. D., LL. D., Archbishop of Canterbury, passed to his rest, and that on June 17, 1902, the Very Rev. Eugene Augustus Hoffman, D. D., D. C. L., Dean of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, also entered the Paradise of God.

"Almighty and everlasting God, we yield unto Thee most high praise and hearty thanks, for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all Thy saints, who have been the choice vessels of Thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations; most humbly beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their steadfastness in Thy faith, and obedience to Thy holy commandments, that at the day of the general Resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical body of Thy Son, may be set on His right hand, and hear His most joyful voice: Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen."

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

The following persons are duly admitted candidates in the Diocese of Arkansas for the Holy Ministry in the Church of God:

1. Sylvester Reed McAlpin, candidate for Deacon's Orders only, admitted May 13, 1901, certifying Priest, the Rev. E. A. White. Rector of Christ Church, Bloomfield, N. J.

2. Newton Hockensmith, M. D., candidate for Deacon's Orders only, admitted May 16, 1902, certifying Priest, the Rev. E. A. Neville, Rector of All Saints' Church, Nevada, Mo.

3. William Phillips Williams, candidate for Priest's Orders, admitted October 18, 1902, certifying Priest, the Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rector of Christ Church, Little Rock, Ark.

4. Alexander Crawford, Ph. D., candidate for Priest's Orders, admitted October 18, 1902, certifying Priest, the Rev. P. C. Pyle, Rector of St. Barnabas's Church, Stottville, N. Y.

There are at this time Canonically resident in the Diocese of Arkansas twenty-two Priests and two Deacons. Of these seven are non-parochial. There is one Postulant and there are four candidates for Holy Orders.

CONSENTS TO THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

Since the last meeting of our Diocesan Council I have given my Episcopal consent to the consecration of the following Bishops-elect:

1. The Rev. James Heartt Van Buren, Missionary Bishop for the District of Porto Rico, on June 4, 1902.
2. The Rev. Henry Bond Restarick, Missionary Bishop of the District of Honolulu, on June 4, 1902.
3. The Rev. Charles Minnigerode Beckwith, D. D., Bishop for the Diocese of Alabama, on November 24, 1902.
4. The Rev. Sheldon Munson Griswold, D. D., Missionary Bishop for the District of Salina, on December 9, 1902.

NOTICES OF DISCIPLINE.

1. DEPOSITIONS.

Arthur Neville Claggett, Priest, by the Bishop of Duluth, May 20, 1902.

Charles Morris, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Mississippi, June 25, 1902.

R. Percy Eubanks, Priest, by the Bishop of Iowa, July 2, 1902.

Cassius Miller Westlake, Presbyter, by the Bishop of California, July 13, 1902.

Charles F. Milby, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New Jersey, July 23, 1902.

George F. Honesty, M. D., Presbyter, by the Bishop of Tennessee, July 28, 1902.

Alexander H. Fonda Vinton, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Cape Palmas, August 26, 1902.

Walter Mayhew Sherwood, Priest, by the Bishop of Newark, November 14, 1902.

Anthony Colby Hardy, Presbyter, by the Bishop coadjutor of Rhode Island, November 28, 1902.

Andrew Smith, Priest, by the Bishop of Spokane, January 10, 1903.

Pedro Duarte, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Pennsylvania, January 19, 1903.

Robert R. McVettie, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Duluth, January 28, 1903.

Benjamin N. Anderson, Presbyter, by the Bishop of South Carolina, February 20, 1903.

Daniel D. Hefter, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Ohio, March 13, 1903.

Edgar Gardiner Murphy, Priest, by the Bishop of Alabama, March 30, 1903.

David Jacob Ayers, Priest, by the Bishop of Massachusetts, April 23, 1903.

2. CANDIDATES DROPPED.

Edward Kennard Rand, candidate, by the Bishop of Massachusetts, May 26, 1902.

Gus. A. Kastner, candidate, by the Bishop of Texas, June 5, 1902.

William Colgate Stoval (colored), candidate, by the Bishop of Florida, June 10, 1902.

Arthur G. Bugbee, candidate, by the Bishop of Vermont, June 14, 1902.

Dan. P. Sigourney, candidate, by the Bishop of Virginia, June 28, 1902.

Roy Waldo Minor, candidate, by the Bishop of Massachusetts, December 1, 1902.

Jesse W. Watson, candidate, by the Bishop of Indianapolis, January 24, 1903.

Edmund Bayfield Hilliard candidate, by the Bishop of Massachusetts, February 4, 1903.

Edmund B. Gearheart, candidate, by the Bishop of Central New York, February 18, 1903.

3. POSTULANTS DROPPED.

W. Meade Thompson, postulant, by the Bishop of West Virginia, June 28, 1902.

David L. Fulweiler, postulant, by the Bishop of Colorado, September 16, 1902.

George E. Shulze, postulant, by the Bishop of Minnesota, October 4, 1902.

Samuel Centennial Fish, postulant, by the Bishop of New York, February 19, 1903.

Charles Baird Mitchell, postulant, by the Bishop of West Virginia, March 20, 1903.

DEACONS.

F. W. Bailey-Jones, postulant, by the Bishop of Michigan, July 8, 1902.

MY WORK IN ARKANSAS.

In the course of the year I have visited the following places in Arkansas from one to five times, namely: Arkansas City, once; Lake Village, once; Batesville, once; Hot Springs, twice; Fayetteville, three times; Hope, once; Mena, twice; Marianna, once;

Harrison, once; Newport, once; Jonesboro, once; Forrest City, once; Helena, once; Lexa, once; Wynne, once; Fort Smith, once; Pine Bluff, once; Camden, once; Brinkley, once; St. Paul's Mission, Little Rock, three times; St. Philip's Mission, Little Rock, four times; Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, five times; Christ Church, Little Rock, six times.

On Tuesday, May 20, I visited St. Clement's Mission, Arkansas City, and at evening prayer preached and confirmed nine candidates. This class was of a character to add much strength to the church. It was prepared and presented by the Missionary of the Lake Village District, the Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D.

On the following day, May 21, assisted by Dr. Barker, I administered the Holy Communion and preached at 9:30. On the same day, May 21, the Doctor and I proceeded to Lake Village. On the way we were joined by Archdeacon Williams. Here I preached at evening prayer and confirmed one candidate.

On May 25, at morning prayer, in Christ Church, Little Rock, I preached the annual sermon before the Maddox Seminary for young women. I confirmed one candidate.

On May 27, at my request, the Dean of Trinity Cathedral, who at that time was also Missionary in charge of St. Philip's colored congregation, called a Parish meeting of that people, who met in their church building at 8 p. m. I had originally intended to be present, but upon reflection I concluded that it would be better for me to be represented by the Archdeacon and Dean. I thought it better to be absent both for myself—for such meetings in my then weakened condition were hard upon me—and better for the cause concerned that others explain my views, so that there would be greater freedom in discussion.

The gathering, as reported to me, consisted of thirty-three persons, fifteen or sixteen of whom were communicants of St. Philip's Church. The Senior Warden was absent on account of the illness of his daughter. After a full discussion of my plans regarding a Convocation for the colored churchmen of Arkansas, as outlined in my last Council address, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we who are communicant members of this Church do hereby authorize the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Philip's Parish to petition the Bishop to separate us from the Council of the Diocese as a Parish in order that we may become a nucleus and a beginning of a Diocesan Convocation of colored churches and missions in fellowship with and related to the Diocesan Council according to the Constitution and Canons that shall be prepared for said Convocation by the Bishop as and as soon as they shall become effective."

On his way home from the meeting the Archdeacon stopped in and told me of the result of the meeting. I felt that an important step in the right direction had been taken. On May 28, the Dean and Archdeacon called about 11 o'clock, and the Dean undertook to secure a meeting of the Vestry of St. Philip's for the purpose of making the petition contemplated by the above mentioned resolution passed by St. Philip's congregation. It was found that there were only two members of the Vestry, and only one of them could meet with the Dean and Archdeacon. He did so and signed; this was the Senior Warden. The other signature was secured later.

On May 30 I had an important interview with the lay members of the Cathedral Chapter.

On Sunday, June 1, I consecrated St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs. The clergy in attendance were the Rector, the Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling, to whom chiefly belongs the credit of paying the debt which had been a great impediment to the Parish for many years, the Rev. William J. Miller, under whose Rectorship the church was built, and Archdeacon Williams, who had done much for the Parish during the interregnum which preceded the coming of the Rev. Mr. Dowling, were present. Mr. Miller preached the sermon and celebrated the Holy Communion. The Archdeacon and I made addresses.

On Sunday afternoon, June 1, at evening prayer, 4 p. m., in the Cathedral, I preached and confirmed. There were seven candidates.

On June 8, at morning prayer, I preached at Christ Church, Little Rock. Before the service the Rector told me of the work which his Parochial Branch of the Daughters of the King had entered upon, and in which he was much interested, namely: the founding of a home for worthy young women who come to the city to engage in office and store work and are without a home. He said that the Daughters had undertaken to raise \$1,000 for the finishing of such a home. Before my sermon I commended the undertaking, and said that if the Daughters would raise \$666.66 I would give \$333.33 from my trust funds, or one-third of any amount less than \$1,000 that the Daughters might raise, my contribution to be the last payment.

On June 8, at evening prayer, I appeared unannounced at St. Paul's Church, Little Rock, to hear one of my candidates for the Holy Ministry read the service and make an exhortation.

On Sunday, June 15, at evening prayer, 8 o'clock, I read the service in St. Philip's Church, and preached. After the service I conducted a Parish meeting relative to securing a new church property.

On Wednesday, June 18, at evening prayer, I visited St. Paul's Church, Batesville, preached and confirmed ten persons who were prepared and presented by the Rector, the Rev. Canon R. W. Rhames.

On Friday, June 20, at evening prayer, I visited St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, preached, and confirmed eight persons in connection with evening prayer. The class was prepared and presented by Rev. J. J. Vaulx, Rector.

On Sunday, June 22, I conducted evening prayer and preached at St. Paul's, Little Rock.

June 24 was St. John the Baptist's Day, and the fourth anniversary of my consecration to the Episcopate. It was, through the kindness of the Rector, observed in Christ Church, Little Rock, by a celebration of the Holy Communion and an appropriate address by the Archdeacon of the Diocese. There was a good congregation present, and the flowers which had beautified the altar were given to Mrs. Brown and myself. We were greatly delighted with this thoughtful remembrance of the to us important event which was the occasion of our taking up our home for the rest of our lives in the Southland. As I said upon that occasion, the years which we have spent in Arkansas, so far, constitute one of the happiest periods of our lives. My work and cares have been heavy, and for more than two years I have staggered under the burden of them, but of late I have been recovering my equilibrium and now I have the joyful hope that I may be permitted to come in and go out among the people of our beloved adopted State, whom we have learned to love devotedly.

On Tuesday, November 4, I attended the opening service of the annual meeting of the Daughters of the King of the Diocese, and introduced the good Bishop of Delaware, who made the address. The Daughters were in session until Friday. On Wednesday I celebrated the Holy Communion for them and made an address. I made other remarks upon two or three occasions. Several of the Clergy were in attendance during the meeting and we all were most favorably impressed by what we saw and heard of the work of this excellent organization. I wish that there might be a chapter of the Daughters in all our Parishes and Missions.

On Sunday, November 9, I assisted in the conduct of both morning and evening prayer, and preached in Christ Church, Little Rock.

On Sunday, November 16, I preached both morning and evening at the Cathedral, and conducted a Parish meeting after the morning service.

On Sunday, November 23, I conducted morning prayer and preached at Hope in the morning. The congregation having sold

their property, through the kindness of the pastor and officers of the Presbyterian Church, worshipped in their church.

On Tuesday, November 25, the Rev. Dr. Lloyd, the General Secretary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, spoke on behalf of the work of the society in Christ Church, Little Rock. He reached the city about noon. In the afternoon he met with the Board of Diocesan Missions and made an address. I introduced him to the congregation assembled in Christ Church for the joint public missionary meeting. Unfortunately the evening was an inclement one and the attendance was not as large as had been hoped for. Nevertheless Dr. Lloyd's visit to us was one which we shall not soon forget.

On November 30 I attended divine services at the Cathedral in the morning.

In the course of the month I had many important interviews.

On about the middle of the month I commenced the building of three additional rooms at the northwest corner of the Episcopal residence, and a carriage house. These additions put the finishing touches on the splendid residence which the Diocese has so kindly provided for the Bishop.

On Saturday, December 20, I met a Confirmation Class at Christ Church, Mena, and made an address covering a part of the Church Catechism.

On Sunday, December 21, I administered the sacrament of baptism in connection with the Sunday School service, and afterwards celebrated the Holy Communion, preached and confirmed. I baptized six persons and confirmed eleven.

On Sunday, December 21, at evening prayer, I preached in St. James's Church, Texarkana, at 7:30 p. m.

On Christmas Day, in St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, I conducted morning prayer and made an address. I also had a conference with members of the Vestry and congregation relative to the maintenance of the services until a Rector could be secured.

On Sunday, December 28, I conducted morning prayer, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Andrew's Church, Marianna. At 3 p. m. I conducted evening prayer and preached, and confirmed one candidate. The Rev. Mr. Cornish, Missionary in charge of Forrest City and Marianna, was ill and could not be with me.

On Saturday, January 10, I reached Harrison at noon and attended a reception tendered to the Rev. Mr. Davis and me by our people there. It was a most pleasant occasion.

On Sunday morning, January 11, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Davis, of Eureka Springs, I conducted morning prayer, preached,

confirmed, and celebrated Holy Communion. There were nine candidates for confirmation.

On Sunday, January 25, I visited St. Paul's Church, Newport, preached, and administered the Holy Communion at 10:30 a. m. At 7:30 p. m. I preached, and afterwards conducted a Parish meeting, at which it was determined to make an effort to raise the necessary funds and pledges to build a new church so that the work of construction might be commenced early in the spring. The Rev. Dr. Norton assisted me in the services.

On Sunday, February 1, I visited St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, preached, administered the Holy Communion and confirmed at the morning service. There were six candidates.

On Wednesday, February 18, at evening prayer, at 7:30 o'clock I preached in St. Philip's Colored Church and confirmed ten persons. It was a most interesting service.

On Good Friday I conducted the Three Hours Service at the Cathedral, from 12 to 3 o'clock.

On April 12, Easter Day, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Fair, I conducted morning prayer and administered the Holy Communion at St. Philip's Church. There was a good congregation.

On Easter Day, assisted by the Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling, I conducted evening prayer, preached, and confirmed a class of twenty-one at St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, at 8 p. m.

On Monday, April 13, at St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, I confirmed a class of six, at 11 a. m., making the total confirmed at this visitation twenty-seven.

On April 19, at 11 a. m., assisted by the Dean, I conducted morning prayer, preached, and confirmed a class of fifteen at the Cathedral.

On Sunday, April 19, at evening prayer, 4 o'clock, I confirmed six persons and made an address at St. Philip's Church. The Dean preached. This class made the number confirmed this Council year at St. Philip's, sixteen.

On Sunday, April 19, at 8 p. m., I visited Christ Church, Little Rock, preached, and confirmed thirty-one persons, presented by the Rector, the Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

On April 24 I conducted evening prayer and preached at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City. There was a good congregation.

On Sunday, April 26, at morning prayer, in St. John's Church, Helena, assisted by the Rector, I conducted morning prayer, preached, and confirmed a class of thirteen. I also preached at evening prayer.

On Monday, April 27, I celebrated the Holy Communion for Judge Jones and his family, at Lexa, and also conducted evening prayer and preached at the neighborhood schoolhouse.

On Monday, April 27, I preached, and confirmed one candidate at Wynne, at 8 p. m. The candidate was presented by the Rev. J. J. Cornish.

On Wednesday, April 29, at my request, a meeting of the majority of the Standing Committee was held at the Episcopal residence. There were in attendance the Rev. W. D. Buckner, the Very Rev. J. P. Robottom and Major P. K. Roots. Judge John T. Hicks also attended.

On Thursday afternoon, April 30, I met with the members of the Cathedral Chapter at 4:30 p. m.

On Thursday, April 30, at evening prayer in St. Paul's Chapel, Little Rock, assisted by the Rev. G. Gordon Smeade and Dr. Hockensmith, I conducted evening prayer, preached and confirmed a class of seven, also made a confirmation address.

On Saturday, May 2, accompanied by the Rev. W. D. Buckner as Chaplain and representative of the Standing Committee, I met the Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, in the Guild Room at 8 o'clock, and remained with them until 12 o'clock, in an endeavor to adjust difficulties arising from my inability to approve of the election to the vacant Rectorship of their Parish.

On Sunday morning, May 3, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Buckner, I conducted morning prayer and preached.

On Sunday afternoon, May 3, at 2:45, I baptized an infant, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward.

On Sunday afternoon, May 3, the Rev. Mr. Buckner and I met the Vestry and remained in session until 5:30. At this meeting we succeeded in reaching a compromise which it was thought would bridge over the difficulties between the Vestry and the Bishop.

On Sunday evening, May 3, at 7:30 o'clock, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Buckner, I conducted evening prayer. Mr. Buckner preached.

On Monday morning, May 4, I met the Vestry in the office of Colonel Cravens, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of reviewing a communication which it had been agreed should be sent to the Rector-elect. I announced that a providential discovery had removed one of the most serious of my objections to the election and that I thought that the remaining objections would at least be partially removed at the proposed conference between him and myself with the Standing Committee, to be held on Tuesday evening, May 12.

On Monday night, May 4, I met three members of the Vestry of St. John's Church, Fort Smith, for the purpose of consulting about the calling of a successor to the Rector, the Rev. A. A. Robertson, who had tendered his resignation, to take effect on June 1.

On Tuesday, May 5, I made my way from Fort Smith to Mena, where at 4:30 o'clock I baptized one adult candidate and confirmed two candidates at a private house, where a small congregation had assembled. At 7:30 o'clock, assisted by the Lay Reader, Mr. A. M. Treschow, I conducted evening prayer, preached, baptized five and confirmed sixteen candidates, thus making a total of twenty-nine candidates confirmed at Mena in the course of the present Council year. A great majority of the candidates were adults, and a large proportion of them from new families, thus adding a great deal of strength to our little flock at Mena. All things considered, Mr. Treschow should, I think, be awarded the palm for the number presented for baptism and confirmation this year.

I left for Little Rock via Texarkana at 2 o'clock.

On Sunday, May 10, at Trinity, Pine Bluff, assisted by the Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rector, I conducted morning prayer, preached, confirmed fourteen candidates and made a confirmation address.

On Sunday, May 10, at evening prayer in St. John's Church, Camden, I preached, and confirmed five candidates and made a confirmation address.

On Monday, May 11, at evening prayer in St. Luke's Mission, Brinkley, I administered the sacrament of baptism to two candidates, preached, confirmed four persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

CONFIRMATION VISITATIONS.

My visitations for Confirmation were as follows: May 20, 1902, St. Clement's Mission, Arkansas City, nine candidates confirmed; May 25, Christ Church, Little Rock, one candidate; June 1, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, five candidates; June 18, St. Paul's, Batesville, nine candidates; June 20, St. Paul's, Fayetteville, eight candidates; December 21, Christ Church, Mena, thirteen candidates; December 28, St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, one candidate; January 11, 1903, St. John's Mission, Harrison, nine candidates; February 1, St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, six candidates; February 18, St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, ten candidates; April 12, St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, twenty-one candidates; April 13, St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, six candidates; April 19, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, thirteen candidates; April 19, St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, six candidates; April 19, Christ

Church, Little Rock, thirty-one candidates; April 26, St. John's Church, Helena, thirteen candidates; April 27, St. John's Church, Wynne, one candidate; April 30, St. Paul's Mission, seven candidates; May 5, Christ Church, Mena, sixteen candidates; May 10, Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, twenty-five candidates; May 11, St. Luke's Church, Brinkley, four candidates.

PERSONS CONFIRMED.

The following is a complete list of persons confirmed by me in the Diocese of Arkansas within the Council year 1902-1903:

St. Clement's Mission, May 10, 1902.—Miss Betsye Gill Godwin, Charles Collins Hemingway, Mrs. Mary Eloise Godwin, Mrs. Alberta Wilkison, Mrs. Aurelia Ramus, Henry Townsend, Mrs. Mary Hemingway, Mr. R. E. Mowen, Dr. C. P. Smith.

Emanuel Church, Lake Village, May 21, 1902.—Mrs. Mary Yerger.

Christ Church, Little Rock, May 25, 1902.—Miss Mae Ruth Quilling.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, June 1, 1902.—Fay Peloubet, Laurita Tunnah, Morris Teufel, Mabel Gaunt, Mary Bodendeck.

St. Paul's Church, Batesville, June 18, 1902.—Mrs. Carrie Albert, Mrs. Bertha Coleman Devereux, Miss Eva May Tillman, Miss Esther Byers Neil, Miss Amy Collier Ferrill, Miss Ida Pickett Ferrill, Miss Janet Aurilea Reed, Mrs. Mary Virginia M. Fitzhugh, Mr. Charles Harmony Albert, Mr. John Crockett Yancy.

St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, June 20, 1902.—Mrs. Sarah McIlroy, Mrs. Mary Payne, Miss Bessie Kell, Miss Jessie Smith, Mr. Leon Smith, Mr. Haden McIlroy, Mr. Samuel Payne, Mr. Fred Dabnev.

Christ Church, Mena, December 21, 1902.—Mrs. Caroline Currie Treschow, Kenneth Frederick Treschow, Clara May Salyers, Nellie Salyers, Nettie Salyers, Daisy Oliver Nelson, Gertrude Morris, Albert F. Easterday, Jacob Thurston Donaldson, Elizabeth Scargall Donaldson, Effie Scargall Smith, Gracie May Scargall, Thomas John Webster.

St. Andrew's Church, Marianna, December 28, 1902.—Frank Dancy Govan.

St. John's Mission, Harrison, January 11, 1903.—Mrs. Rosabel Allison, Mrs. Nancy Eleanor Greene, Mr. Frank Rosseau Greene, Mrs. Laura Partee Greene, Mrs. Lou Isabel Miles, Mr. Cecil Calvert Murray, Mr. Albert John De Villbliss, Mrs. Alice Leole De Villbliss, Mrs. Josephine Murray.

St. Mark's Church, Jonesboro, February 1, 1903.—John C. Wood, Mrs. Annette Wood, Annie B. Wood, Oscar B. Wood, Mildred Rogers, Mrs. Sadie D. Seibel.

St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, February 18, 1903.—Mrs. Amelia Cook, Mrs. Margaret Combs, Miss Mandella Moore, Miss Celeste Moore, Miss Annie Laura L. Moore, Miss Ola Chaney, Miss Fay Eva Wallace, Charles F. H. A. Quarles, Miss Florence Williams, Dumas I. Spight.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, April 12, 1903.—John H. Avery, Mrs. Emma G. Avery, Mrs. Anna Cockburn, Henry James Coomber, Luelline E. Grinlinton, Mrs. Kathryn Palmyra Head, Tom Holman, Helen Frank Kirk, Maxine Lewis, William Ross Miller, Anna May Cecelia Oden, Frank H. Olmstead, Mrs. Mary M. Payne, Berry Stevenson Payne, Mrs. Georgia Etta Payne, Lena Calloway Payton, Tom Pernick, Mrs. Martha R. Russie, Helen Rapley, Mrs. Viola C. Sturdevant, Mrs. Anna Lillian Turner.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, April 13, 1903.—Richard T. Barton, Mrs. Nellie V. Barton, Mrs. Guillelma Christopher Day, Mrs. Minnie Hay, Walter Rector.

St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, April 19, 1903.—Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Miss Fannie Ada Turner, Hernando G. L. Spight, Joseph V. Donnelly, Miss Mary C. Weaver, Miss Jim Rebecca Weaver.

Christ Church, Little Rock, April 19, 1903.—Mrs. Minnie Virginia Parkins, Mr. Barna Tunis Rogers, Mr. Charles Aubry Reese, Mr. Henry Haywood Bacon, Mr. Daniel Webster, Mr. Joseph John Croxton Foulkes, Mr. Ernest Stephens Mesler, Mr. Keim Mehaffy, Mr. David Terry, Mr. Lawrence M. Culpepper, Mr. Ernest Pierce Evans, Mr. Charles Rogers, Mr. Sidney Rutland, Mr. Fred William Niemeyer, Mr. Richard Buckner, Miss Bessie Nowlin, Mrs. Lena Berquist, Miss John Alice Johnson, Mrs. Louise Evans, Mrs. Isabel S. Galbraith, Mrs. Mary Hammond Watkins, Mrs. Mabel Blatchley McCallum, Miss Berta Sannoner, Mrs. Reese Horrocks, Miss Mary Elizabeth Paup, Miss Norma Hutton, Miss Lewie Beach, Miss Mamie Simpson, Miss Lillie Williamson.

Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, April 19, 1903.—Mrs. Charles Lewis, Frances Kent Robottom, Maude Sandlin, Mamie Sandlin, Ruth Kennedy, John McMillan, Wallace Toby, Florence Griffith, Mrs. Joseph Griffith, Ernest McKinzie, Samuel Cockran, Harry Cockran, Mrs. Samuel Wiggins.

St. John's Church, Helena, April 25, 1903.—Mr. Andrew Friberg, Mr. Charles Henry Purvis, Miss Mary Copely Purvis, Mr. Jamie Deavourx Mays, Mrs. Matsye Pope Heslep, Mr. Mathew Crocker Horn, Dr. Charles R. Shinault, Mr. Thomas Dabney Purvis, Dr. William Calhoun King, Mrs. Dorothy Bibb Hornor, Mr. Lewis S. Powell, Miss Dora Annette Vadikin, of Forrest City, Ark.; Mr. Joseph Gardner Eggleston, of Barton, Ark.

St. John's Mission, Wynne, April 27, 1903.—Thomas Shelby Blythe.

St. Paul's Mission, Little Rock, April 20, 1903.—Mrs. Martha A. Davis, Miss Beryl Weare, Miss Fannie Logsdon, Russell Yates, John Weare, Robert Weare, Jodie Frazey.

Christ Church, Mena, May 5, 1903.—Mrs. Sarah Abram Rieves, Miss Daisy Juanita Huntley, Mrs. Bell Rosabel Bissell, Mrs. Luella Warrell, Miss Fayette Warrell, Mrs. Susan Adeline Scarborough, Mrs. Maud Hamilton Dean, Mrs. Elizabeth Evans Lewis, Mrs. Ollie Frankie McCurdy, Miss Dora Evans, Mrs. Susie Orian Archer, Mrs. Emma J. Cook, Mrs. Leurarah Helen Hasler, Frederick Newton Joy, Edward Hasler, Dorothy Shaver.

Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, May 10, 1903.—Mr. Charles E. Abernathy, Mrs. Mary Kilpatrick, Master Fayette Senyard, Mr. J. Bruce Simmons, Master Henry Reynolds, Miss Aszula Thompson, Miss Lula Lockridge, Miss Lois Ruby Wilcox, Master Luther Sullivan, Mrs. George Buchanan, Mrs. Mary Ellen Hamill, Mrs. Marion Hollis, Mrs. Thomas S. James, Miss Elizabeth Le Maire, Mr. Robert Smedley, Master Owen Evans, Mr. Archie McGhee, Mrs. Viola Stoddard, Mr. Charles R. Fitzhugh, Mrs. Mary Wilcox, Mrs. Elizabeth Larkin, Master J. Hervey Mann, Miss Lola Buchanan, Master Percy Henry Hamill, Miss Eugenia James.

St. John's Church, Camden, May 10, 1903.—Mrs. Mildred Ellen Terrell, Miss Cora Elliott Smith, Miss Katie J. Saxon, Miss Lucille Eaton Clarkson, Miss Elizabeth Hayden Clarkson.

St. Luke's Church, Brinkley, May 11, 1903.—Marguerite Beatt, Grace Owen, Eugenie Sapp, David A. Steel.

Total number of candidates confirmed, 221.

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS CONSECRATED IN ARKANSAS WITHIN THE LAST COUNCIL YEAR.

On June 1, I consecrated St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED.

The Rev. James Woodward Thompson, Priest, on February 12, 1903, from the Diocese of Ohio, who commenced work in the Lake Village Missionary District, on January 1, 1903.

The following Clergymen have come to the Diocese of Arkansas, though they have not as yet been Canonically transferred to it:

The Rev. William Allen Fair, of the Diocese of Western New York, who commenced work in St. Philip's Mission, Little Rock, on October 12, 1902.

The Rev. Howard M. Ingham, of the Diocese of Ohio, who commenced work in St. John's Missionary Parish, Camden, on December 21, 1902.

Mr. Alexander Crawford, Ph. D., a candidate for Holy Orders in the Diocese of Arkansas, came to us from New York city on October 25, 1902, and since then has been working as Lay Missionary in the Hope District.

CLERGYMEN DISMISSED.

The Rev. Charles D. Lafferty, Priest, on November 1, 1902, to the Bishop of Ohio, who accepted him on November 1, 1902. Mr. Lafferty had been in charge of St. Paul's Church, Newport, to March 1, 1902.

The Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D., Priest, on November 1, 1902, to the Bishop of Minnesota, who accepted him on February 2, 1903. Dr. Barker had been in charge of the Lake Village Missionary District until October 1, 1902.

The Rev. William Cross to the Diocese of Dallas. The letter was issued on April 24, 1903, and it was accepted on May 15, 1903.

The Rev. James John Vaulx, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, for twenty-seven years, though still Canonically resident in Arkansas, left the Diocese to take up work in the Missionary District of Southern Florida on October 1, 1902.

The Rev. Daniel Breck Ramsey, Rector of St. John's Church, Camden, for eleven years, though still Canonically resident in Arkansas, gave up the work and retired on October 31, 1902.

The Rev. Louis Ramon Francis Davis, though not yet transferred to another jurisdiction, left this Diocese on February 28, 1903. He was in charge of the Missionary Parish of St. James, Eureka Springs.

CLERICAL CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, D. D., gave up the work in the Missionary District of Searcy, on October 15, 1902. Since then he has been Minister in charge of St. Paul's Church, Newport.

The Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish gave up the work at Good Shepherd's Church, Forrest City, on April 15, 1903. Since then he has devoted his time entirely to St. Andrew's Church, Marianna.

A non-resident Clergyman gave up the work at Winslow on November 30, 1902.

The Rev. Joshua Brown Whaling, Rector of Trinity Church, Van Buren, took up the Winslow work in connection with Van Buren, on December 1, 1902.

Mr. Sylvester Reed McAlpin, candidate for Deacon's Orders only, was transferred on September 12, 1902, from the Missionary District of Hope to that of Morrilton.

SUMMARY OF MY WORK IN ARKANSAS.

Places visited, twenty-three; number of visitations, forty; sermons, thirty-four; addresses, seven; baptisms, fifteen; confirmations, two hundred and twenty-one; communions, twelve; letters dimissory given, three; letters dimissory received, one.

Total number of sermons, addresses and lectures, forty-one.

MY WORK OUTSIDE OF THE DIOCESE.

On Friday, March 20, I left for my Northern and Eastern Lenten trip for the purpose of making appeals on behalf of the missionary field of the Diocese of Arkansas. I returned on Thursday in Holy Week, having been absent forty-eight days. In the course of this trip I visited sixty-five churches and made seventy addresses. I also held two confirmations for the Bishop of New York, one in St. Mary's Chapel, Sherwood Park, New York, on Monday evening, March 30, at which there were eight persons confirmed, and I confirmed in the same Parish, on the same day, one person in private.

On April 5, at 8 p. m., in St. George's Church, New York city, I confirmed two hundred and three persons, the largest class I have ever confirmed.

LIST OF SUNDAY APPOINTMENTS FOR CONFIRMATION.

Visitations to be made between the first Sunday in Advent, November 29, 1903, and Trinity Sunday, May 29, 1904.

1. AUTUMN AND WINTER VISITATIONS.

First Sunday in Advent, November 29, morning service, St. Clement's, Arkansas City.

First Sunday in Advent, November 29, night service, St. Mary's, Monticello.

Second Sunday in Advent, December 6, morning service, St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.

Second Sunday in Advent, December 6, night service, Holy Trinity, Thayer, Mo.

Third Sunday in Advent, December 13, morning service, St. Mark's, Jonesboro.

Third Sunday in Advent, December 13, night service, Holy Communion, Paragould.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 20, morning service, Christ Church, Mena.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 20, night service, St. James's, Texarkana.

First Sunday after Christmas, December 27, morning service, St. Thomas's, Searcy.

First Sunday after Christmas, December 27, night service, St. Philip's, Little Rock.

Second Sunday after Christmas, January 3, morning service, Ascension, Booneville.

Second Sunday after Christmas, January 3, night service, St. Mark's, Lonoke.

First Sunday after Epiphany, January 10, morning service, St. Mark's, Hope.

First Sunday after Epiphany, January 10, night service, St. James's, Prescott.

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 17, morning service, St. John's, Harrison.

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 17, night service, St. John's, Berryville.

Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 24, morning service, Grace, Washington.

Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 24, night service, Church of the Redeemer, Nashville.

Septuagesima Sunday, January 31.

2. SPRING VISITATIONS.

Easter Day, April 3, morning service, Trinity, Pine Bluff.

Easter Day, April 3, night service, St. John's, Camden.

First Sunday after Easter, April 10, morning service, Cathedral, Little Rock.

First Sunday after Easter, April 10, night service, Christ Church, Little Rock.

Second Sunday after Easter, April 17, morning service, St. John's, Helena.

Second Sunday after Easter, April 17, night service, St. Andrew's, Marianna.

Third Sunday after Easter, April 24, morning service, St. Luke's, Hot Springs.

Third Sunday after Easter, April 24, night service, St. Paul's, Little Rock.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, May 1, morning service, St. John's, Fort Smith.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, May 1, night service, St. Agnes, Morrilton.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, May 8, morning service, Trinity, Van Buren.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, May 8, night service, St. Paul's, Fayetteville.

Sunday after Ascension, May 15, morning service, St. Paul's, Batesville.

Sunday after Ascension, May 15, night service, St. Paul's, Newport.

Whitsunday, May 22, morning service, St. James's, Eureka Springs.

Trinity Sunday, May 29, morning service, Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City.

Trinity Sunday, night service, St. Luke's, Brinkley.

Visitations for other Sundays and for week days will be arranged for by correspondence.

If any Clergyman should prefer another date to the one assigned to him in the above list, he can be accommodated if he is able to arrange for an exchange with the other Clergyman or Clergymen concerned.

The publication of my list of visitations in the Council Journal from year to year, is for my convenience and that of the Rectors and congregations concerned.

It sufficiently meets the requirements of the Canon regarding the timely notice to be given by the Bishop before the visitation of a Parish for confirmation and other official purposes, and it enables the Pastor and his people to know a long time ahead, just when to expect the visitation.

May I request that each Clergyman, whose Parish appears in list of appointments, to gratify me in the following particulars whenever it is possible for him to do so, namely:

1. By arranging an opportunity for a meeting with the Vestry in their corporate capacity for an hour.
2. By arranging to have me catechise the children of the Parish.
3. By arranging, whenever it is practicable, for me to meet the congregation socially.

4. By announcing that the special collection taken at the confirmation service will be for the Episcopate Endowment Fund, but I do not expect the Easter Sunday morning collection for this purpose.

5. By having the Parish Register written up complete to the day of visitation.

It will be observed that I have abandoned the idea of giving a whole Sunday to each of the larger Parishes. This is because there are not enough eligible Sundays to go around. None of the Rectors want me before Lent, and all of them clamor for me before the Council. This makes it necessary for me either to put some off with a week-day or to divide the Sundays when it is practicable.

The social and business part of the program will have to take place on Saturday, in the case of Parishes visited on Sunday morning, and on Monday in the case of those visited on Sunday night.

THE PROGRESS OF THIS COUNCIL YEAR.

It will be remembered that I have an understanding with the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society by which we are to build up a self-supporting Diocese in ten years, and that the rate of our annual progress is to average five additional churches, two rectories and two Clergymen. Three of the ten years closed about a month ago with Easter Day, April 12, 1903. Since 1900 we have built sixteen mission chapels in as many important places, built or purchased seven rectories and placed eight additional Missionaries in the field. Besides all this we have purchased an Episcopal residence and are paying for it at the rate of \$1,000 per year, with the accrued interest. Nor does this showing represent anything like all that has been done. For only one example: At Jonesboro, a growing county seat in Northeastern Arkansas, we bought, to begin with, a little lot 50 x 100 feet, and built and furnished a beautiful brick veneered chapel, at a total cost of \$1,600. Then we found it necessary to build a good frame rectory, costing \$1,150. Having done this, the well located but small lot which was all that we could originally afford, was so filled up that the Missionary, for the lack of room, could lay in only half a ton of coal at a time. Of course one as far-sighted as I am was not long in seeing that he would be in a bad fix if we should ever have a coal strike down here. So I said we must have that adjoining lot of 50 x 100 feet, giving us in all 100 x 100 feet. So far I had been giving only one-third of the cost of what had been done, but to purchase this Naboth's vineyard at a time when it happened to be for sale I said that I would give one-half

of its price, \$750. By this time the people had been inclined to the opinion that they had gone about as far as they could in the matter of subscriptions towards the securing of Church property, but my offer was too good to be refused, and so the next day the lot was bought. This purchase gives them plenty of room for all time to come. I have, by the generosity of our benefactors, been enabled to do a great deal of this kind of work, which, though it does not show up in reports like this, as well as chapels and rectories, is in the aggregate of great permanent value to the Church.

Three years ago many of our Church and Rectory properties were in bad repair, and nearly all of the Parishes and Missions were more or less burdened and weighed down by debt, but now the great majority of them are almost, if not quite, free, and I doubt whether there is a Diocese in the land which has less indebtedness to contend with than Arkansas.

Within the three years our congregations at Newport, Batesville and Fayetteville have become self-supporting, and those of Van Buren and Camden are rapidly approaching that condition.

Nearly all of our self-supporting Parishes, which now number nine, are much stronger than they were three years ago, or even one year ago. This accounts in large measure for the fact that the past year has been financially by far the most successful in the history of the Diocese. The report of the Committee on the State of the Church will show that we have raised more money for General and Diocesan Missions and for Parochial and Diocesan expenses than ever before.

Within the year St. Paul's Church, Batesville, has become a self-supporting Parish, and it has paid in full the Missionary apportionment and Diocesan assessment. The world's reward for attainment of self-support would be parochial life without concern for others. Its gift of rest would be a gift of ease. The Master's yoke is the burden of others' needs. They have so learned Christ in the Batesville Parish.

St. John's Church, Helena, in spite of the pardonable, seductive attempts of an attractive Kentucky Parish, retains, to the great delight of the whole Diocese, their resourceful and successful Rector, who is now the senior among our Presbyters. It is now understood that he is "a fixture," for the Bishop has given him notice that the ties which bind him and his dear people together so strongly can never be severed until death them do part; and you know, according to the Canon law of the Church, a Rector and people cannot separate without the Bishop's consent.

St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, has had another year of great prosperity. The consecration of its beautiful house of worship on the 1st of last June has been followed by the installment of a new and expensive heating plant and by assessments for Missions and Diocesan assessments met. Its confirmation class this year was the largest in the history of the Parish. Representatives from almost every Diocese in the Union worship in St. Luke's Church, and never was the condition of the Parish more prosperous than now, or its prospects brighter. Hot Springs is a remarkable city; the remarkable waters alone have made it. For ages they have been flowing. Whence they come nobody knows. Were it not for them, it is doubtful if "Uncle Sam" would have as much as a post office there. The United States Government owns the Springs, regulates the flow of the water, fixes the price, and prescribes rules and regulations governing bath house managers and attendants. The Government has done more for Hot Springs than for any spot in the country, except the City of Washington. It is an important place, and it is most gratifying that our Church occupies a commanding position in that interesting and growing city.

St. John's Church, Fort Smith, has been reseated, and other improvements made, aggregating hundreds of dollars. Two new memorial windows adorn the chancel, and the Parish, in every respect, is steadily moving forward. Nearly \$2,500 in improvements witness to the work of the Council year. The total amount of contributions for all purposes reaches nearly \$5,000. It is a matter of great regret to me that the much beloved and indefatigable Rector of St. John's has felt it necessary for personal reasons to give up the splendid work which he has been doing for over three years. I am sure the Council will join me in the hope that he will not feel it necessary to leave the Diocese.

All are glad to note the commanding position of the Mother Church of the Diocese. Last September a magnificent organ was placed in the sacred edifice. The Parish and Diocese may well be proud of this achievement. It is understood that the Rector and Vestry are contemplating extensive improvements in the way of stone approaches and interior decorations. When their plans have been carried out, Christ Church, Little Rock, will be one of the most attractive of Southern Ecclesiastical edifices. The Daughters of the King of this Parish have within the year established a home for young women coming to the city to engage in store and office employment. I am sure the Council will join me in a most cordial commendation of this laudable undertaking.

Trinity Cathedral was never in a better condition than now. The congregations have increased, and the attendants are enthusiastic in their support of the services. The Dean's special sermons

to men on Sunday evenings have attracted large congregations. The choir has now become, in all respects, one of the best in the Diocese.

A much desired and greatly needed church will be built in Newport within the current year. The first cash installment of \$2,500 towards a \$6,000 edifice has been deposited in the bank. The Rev. Dr. Norton took up the important work of this growing city in September.

Trinity, Pine Bluff, maintains the even tenor of its upward way. Its financial showing for this year is the best in the history of the Parish. A candidate for the Ministry and the future Bishop of Arkansas has taken up his abode at the rectory.

The progress of many of our Mission stations has kept pace with the advance of the strongest Parishes. New fields have been entered, new preaching stations established, and new work contemplated. The missionary work of this Diocese has, we are proud to say, attracted wide attention, as evidenced by the following quotation from an editorial of a leading Church paper: "Arkansas has never had such a vigorous campaign as that of the past few years * * * a striking example of how much more could be done in older fields. * * * The relation between money and results cannot be overlooked; though in the activity of the missionary campaign, the results may not be attributed solely to money." But money thrown into the crucible of missionary endeavor will ever become a thing of might and glory beyond what we can write or think.

The vigorous campaign of which the editor speaks is very largely due to Dr. Williams, our able and untiring Archdeacon, who is for all practical purposes the Missionary Bishop of the Diocese. He is at once our General Missionary, the official Secretary of the Diocesan Missionary Committee, the Private Secretary of the Bishop, his trusted advisor and indispensable helper.

Trinity Church, Van Buren, will soon be numbered among the self-supporting Parishes of the Diocese. A memorial oak pulpit, \$1,000 for endowment, and an equal sum, by another communicant, for a Parish house, are gratifying marks of loyalty and interest. It would be well if loyal Church people in other places should make gifts and devise bequests for the benefit of stationary or growing Parishes and Missions. Such tokens of ties of friendship and love would knit into the fabric of parochial history brightest remembrances of departed supporters, and bear testimony to the truth of the hymn—

"One Church above, beneath!"

One of our smallest and most deserving Missions is St. Stephen's, Winslow, at present under the faithful care of Canon

Whaling. In winter it is a comparative solitude, save for the goodly settlement of permanent residents, many of whom are new-comers, seeking to convert the hills into fruit-bearing terraces. In summer it is an attractive resort, where mothers with children, seeking relief from the heat of the valleys, are refreshed and reinvigorated by the never failing breezes of the mountains. By the generosity of Dr. and Mrs. Dunlap, the land on which a plain chapel and a modest cottage stand, has been duly conveyed to the Church, and the deed presented to the Bishop since our last Council.

Ascension Chapel, Pocahontas, has been erected within the year, and paid for. Pocahontas is an old settlement. The first inhabitants migrated from Virginia and gave the traditional name of the place from which they came to what was then only a small clearing in the midst of the crowded pines. Pocahontas has 1,400 people, and the permanency of the place and a considerable and rapid growth are now assured.

In the last Council address I referred to the terrible storm which swept over the little city of Searcy like a hurricane; and the lightning which, with unerring aim and pitiless stroke, smote our chapel and so quickly consumed it that the catastrophe was complete. I am heartily glad to bear testimony to the helpful sympathy of the entire population, and to the fidelity and courage of our little flock in their fiery trial. Christ Church, Little Rock, with great promptness and generosity, gave them their old pipe organ, and the new and much better structure, finished and paid for, awaits the service of consecration. The new St. Thomas's Chapel, Searcy, is an edifice of architectural beauty, and will, we hope, be a joy for many generations.

The faithful Ladies' Guild in St. Barnabas's Mission, Foreman, realizing the need of an additional lot, worked with their characteristic energy and perseverance to gather funds to purchase the desired strip of land, while the opportunity was within reach. Their desire was accomplished, and about three months ago the deed was forwarded to my office, and is on file.

The Crescent Hotel Company, Eureka Springs, on the 1st day of January of this year, presented the Diocese with a deed for the land on which the church in that city stands. It is a timely gift, for which I am especially thankful to General Powell Clayton, Mr. John Cunningham, and Dr. C. F. Ellis. It gives to the Church of St. James a deeper consciousness of rightful possession of the real estate it has occupied by permission for about twenty years.

I may say in this connection that probably in no single year have so many deeds for church property been executed in favor of work in the Diocese. While none of it is of great value, and

some of even small worth, yet all is necessary to our growing work, and much of it has been donated.

St. Mark's, Hope, with the necessary consent of the proper ecclesiastical authority, purchased a new church site, with a rectory, and sold their cramped, dilapidated property. It is to their advantage in every respect. They are busily engaged in preparing to build a new church, and before another Council they, we doubt not, will sing from grateful hearts, within its walls—

“Great Shepherd of Thy chosen few,
Thy former mercies here renew;
Lord, we are few, but Thou art near;
Nor short Thine arm, nor deaf Thine ear.”

The largest town in Mississippi County is Osceola. No county in the State has larger agricultural possibilities. About three years ago the Rev. R. W. Rhames, then Archdeacon for Eastern Arkansas, visited Osceola, held services and prospected for a chapel site. A good location was generously promised by the Town Improvement Company upon the condition that the people build the chapel. The erection of a chapel is in progress and the deed duly recorded has reached my office. The Church has been represented in Osceola since before the town had a name. Missionaries from Tennessee and Kentucky held intermittent services there for forty years. If to any religious body falls the right and duty to cultivate this field it is to the Episcopal Church as represented by Calvary Mission. There is abundant reason to believe that the prayers and praise of our dear Church constituted the first, and for a time, the only general religious services in the neighborhood.

A rectory has been built in Jonesboro. It is a good sized house and admirably arranged. I know of no building where money has been used to better advantage. Reference has already been made to a further and important benefit which had been added to St. Mark's Mission by the purchase of the lot and house adjoining the Mission property. Of more importance still is the fact that an unusually large number of persons have been presented for baptism and confirmation during the year.

In January last I visited Harrison. No Bishop of our Church, so far as history tells, ever visited the county before. It was a delightful occasion; a fine class was presented for confirmation, and assurance given that a chapel would be built in the early future. Since that time Colonel F. M. Greene promptly tendered the gift of sufficient land for a site. This benefaction is gratefully appreciated, and all the more seeing it is a free-will offering from a gentleman who is not a member of this Church.

Just over the line, which separates our Diocese from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Oklahoma and Indian Territories, stands the Choctaw village of Sculleyville, more recently known as Oak Lodge, a quiet rural hamlet, where a small preaching station has rapidly developed into a promising mission. I mention it because the work had its origin in the earnest endeavors of a few faithful people formerly members of St. John's Church, Fort Smith, encouraged by Archdeacon Williams, and assisted by the Missionary from Mena. The situation and its progress is fittingly referred to by the Diocesan paper as follows:

"No mention of this interesting Mission has been made in the 'Churchman' till now. It has been in operation something over a year, being the fruit of the zeal and earnestness of only two or three Churchwomen, fostered by the kind care of Archdeacon Williams, of Arkansas, and Mr. A. M. Treschow, of Mena, Ark., Lay Reader in charge. Under their guidance the people have made out of an old dilapidated store building a neat and reverent place of worship, suitably, if simply, finished and furnished. The Bishop consecrated it on March 29, baptizing two children and two adults, and confirming a most interesting class of eleven persons, nearly all adults. Oak Lodge is a small rural community, but the Church is taking hold on the people, and there is good promise of further growth."

While in some instances the confirmation classes have not been as large as two years ago, yet the average number in the classes has been higher. Two notable instances are Christ Church, Mena, and St. Philip's, Little Rock. In the former, which is a Mission less than four years old, I have confirmed twenty-nine persons and in the latter, which is the colored Mission in this city, I have confirmed sixteen.

The missionary work among the colored people of Little Rock, under the efficient leadership and labors of the Rev. William Allan Fair, is in a prosperous, progressive condition; and I am fully persuaded that a large and yet larger work may be done for the American negro in this and other places within the Diocese. A small, inexpensive chapel for colored people has been built at Rocky Comfort, but, as it is upon private property, it will be inexpedient to expend missionary funds to improve it, until the land has been legally conveyed to the Church, or the plant transferred to a location that may be owned in fee simple by ecclesiastical authority.

St. John's Church, Camden, has within the year expended \$600 in repairs made upon the church and rectory property.

Thus in almost every Parish and Mission of the Diocese there has been gratifying progress. It would be difficult to point out a

place where all things considered there has been a retrograde rather than a forward movement.

In the course of the Council year we have lost five Clergymen by removal and gained six by accession and ordination. We have lost two postulants for the Holy Ministry and gained two candidates, one of whom is doing Lay Missionary work. Thus the net gain to our Missionary force has been one Clergyman and one Lay worker.

In this brief review, we are not unmindful of the faithfulness and self-denial of Missionaries and congregations which have made the betterment practicable; and I am sincerely grateful to the generous people of the East and North, who have made the advance possible. For the benevolence that lightens our cares, for the self-sacrifice that dignifies our missionary service, for a brave and faithful ministry, for the light of love from above upon our work, we lift up our hearts in thanksgiving; and let every heart say:

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."

But the work is still only in its genesis, and the field is white to the harvest! Men with sickles, come on, help us, and lay to the work. With so many missionary opportunities, and with so many spiritual incentives to work there shall be, some day, a marvelous Harvest Home.

You will be glad to know that I am almost jubilant over the prospects of growth for the new fiscal and working year upon which we entered at Easter. We are morally certain of building our annual quota of five churches, and four of them are likely to be of unusual importance from every point of view. The prospects for good work in our Parishes and Missions, with very few exceptions, are also very bright.

THE CONVOCATIONAL SYSTEM.

The new Convocational system provided for by the Canonical change affected at the last Council, was duly inaugurated by the division of the Diocese into four Convocations, known, respectively, as Little Rock, Helena, Fort Smith, and Batesville.

Our Convocations will take their names from the town within their respective limits in which the Church is the strongest; and the order in which a Convocation stands will depend upon the strength of the Church. For example, Helena, though comparatively a small town, outranks Fort Smith because she has the larger Parish. But I do not intend to bind myself to appoint the Rectors of the chief Parishes to the Canonries. I have made them the first Canons, but if I find that the Rector of some other Parish will be of more help to me I shall feel perfectly free to make the change.

1. CONVOCACTION OF LITTLE ROCK.

The Canon of this Convocation is the Rector of Christ Church, Little Rock, and it comprises the counties of Clark, Columbia, Conway, Dallas, Faulkner, Garland, Grant, Hempstead, Hot Spring, Lafayette, Lonoke, Miller, Nevada, Ouachita, Perry, Pope, Prairie, Pulaski, Saline, Union, Van Buren, White, and Yell.

2. CONVOCACTION OF HELENA.

The Canon of this Convocation is the Rector of St. John's Church, Helena, and it comprises the following counties:

Arkansas, Ashley, Bradley, Calhoun, Chicot, Cleveland, Crittenden, Cross, Desha, Drew, Jefferson, Lee, Lincoln, Mississippi, Monroe, Poinsett, St. Francis, and Phillips.

3. CONVOCACTION OF FORT SMITH.

The Canon of this Convocation is the Rector of Trinity Church, Van Buren, and it comprises the following counties:

Benton, Boone, Carroll, Crawford, Franklin, Howard, Johnson, Little River, Logan, Madison, Montgomery, Newton, Pike, Polk, Sevier, Sebastian, Scott, and Washington.

4. CONVOCACTION OF BATESVILLE.

The Canon of this Convocation is the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Batesville, and it comprises the following counties:

Baxter, Clay, Cleburne, Craighead, Fulton, Greene, Independence, Izard, Jackson, Lawrence, Marion, Randolph, Searcy, Sharp, Stone, and Woodruff.

The experiment of a year convinces me that our Convocational system fits in nicely with our Diocesan Missionary Organization, and it is destined to become more and more helpful to the Bishop and Archdeacon in their efforts to develop the Diocese.

In order that the representation of the missionary work in the Diocese may be brought together as frequently as possible for consultation and the laying out of work, I request that this Council make the necessary legislative change to give our Convocational Canons a seat and a voice, but not a vote in the Diocesan Board of Missions.

It would fall in with my ideas a little better if the Canons were not regarded as eligible to election on the Board of Managers; and, if they are left off, I should like to have their places filled with the Rectors of self-supporting Parishes. For manifest reasons I do not care to have Missionary Parishes and stations represented on the Board.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING.

The Daughters of the King held their annual meeting in Christ Church, Little Rock, early in November.

It was my privilege to attend the opening session and to introduce the Bishop of Delaware, who, on his way through Arkansas to keep an appointment in Texas, was kind enough to stop over and make an address. The meetings occupied the principal part of a week, and judging from those which I could attend, much good was accomplished by them.

I was requested to compose two prayers for the use of our Chapters of the Daughters; one to be used at Chapter meetings for absent members, and one for our Diocese. The following is a reprint of the prayers, which I compiled and published in compliance with this request:

A PRAYER

To be used at meetings of Chapter of the Daughters of the King for Absent Members.

Stir up, we beseech Thee, O God, the minds of all Daughters of the King to fulfill the sacred obligations to which they are pledged by their membership in our Order. And especially do we pray that Thou wilt bring to a sense of their duty the members of this Chapter who are absent from our meeting. Cause them to realize how hurtful their negligence is to them, and how discouraging it is to us. But whether present or absent bless all the members of our Chapter. Grant that every one among us may both know and perceive what things she ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same through Jesus Christ, Thy son, our Savior, Lord and King. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, to bless Thy Church and Household in the Diocese of Arkansas.

Give to our Bishop a holy zeal in Thy service and a right judgment in all things.

Enable all the other Clergy, both by their life and doctrine, to set forth the welfare of their Parishes and congregations.

Vouchsafe to the Laity whatsoever things may be needful and convenient for their souls and bodies. Unite them in an earnest endeavor to promote Thy glory and the interest of Thy Kingdom. Make them fervent, liberal, and constant in their prayers, gifts, and deeds.

Bless the benefactors whom Thou hast graciously raised up for us, remember them for good, O Lord God, and grant them a plentiful recompense. May their exemplary obedience to Thy command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," excite us to greater efforts and sacrifices for the increase of Thy Kingdom and the salvation of all men.

Let Thy blessing rest upon our homes and Sunday Schools. Grant that the children may be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Put it in the hearts of a sufficient number of our faithful young men to seek the sacred ministry; so that Thy Church in this Diocese may rejoice in a due supply of true Pastors.

Strengthen and confirm the faithful. Visit and relieve the sick and poor. Refresh and comfort the weary and distressed. Keep the rich from highmindedness, and all from covetousness. Deliver the tempted and oppressed. Arouse the careless. Turn and soften the wicked. Restore the penitent. Enlighten and guide the ignorant, the unbelieving, and the misbelieving. Bring to Thy means of grace those who now neglect them. Remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy Truth, and cause us to be of one mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

I should be glad if our Clergy and people would make frequent use of the "Prayer for the Diocese of Arkansas."

And let me commend the Daughters of the King as being, in my opinion, one of the most useful and desirable of all similar organization. I wish very much that we might have a Chapter in every Parish and Mission in the Diocese. There is a Junior branch of the organization which also made a good showing at the meeting of which I am speaking.

In its religious features, the Daughters of the King closely resembles the Brotherhood, but in addition to their spiritual work, the Daughters accomplish much in the way of caring for altars, chancels and vestments. They also do much Parish aid, philanthropic and missionary work.

Let me say to the Clergy that in my humble opinion you cannot afford to be without a Chapter of the Daughters of the King.

CLERGY RELIEF.

The following report covers the entire ground of this important subject and receives my approval. I request the Clergy and Laity to read it carefully, and I recommend the appeal of the Committee in behalf of this worthy object. I hope that a collection will be reported for it from every Parish and Mission every year.

May 12, 1903.

To the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D.:

Dear Bishop—We, the undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Council of the Diocese, at the annual meeting held in Helena, Ark., May 14-16, 1902, and continued by action of Diocesan Council, May 13-15, 1903, beg leave to report that there is at present in the hands of the Treasurer, Major P. K. Roots, the sum of \$1,623.82, representing the whole amount of the Diocesan Fund for the Relief of the Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese.

The Bishop, in his annual address to the Council of 1902, recommended that all funds of the Diocese for the relief of disabled or infirm Clergymen and for the benefit of widows and orphans of Clergymen of the Diocese, be merged into the General Clergy Relief Fund by conveying and transferring the funds to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. Upon the grounds of that recommendation your committee was appointed with full power to act, as per Journal of 1902, page 19.

We have considered the whole subject carefully and have concluded to recommend that the sum of \$100 be paid by Major P. K. Roots, Treasurer, to the Rev. R. S. James, D. D., LL. D., of Eureka Springs, in four payments of \$25 each.

We recommend that the sum of \$1,523.82, being the balance in full of all the money in the hands of the Trustee of the Fund for the Relief of the Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese, be transferred to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, on or before July 1, 1903.

We further recommend that any collections or funds which may hereafter be paid to Major P. K. Roots for any purposes of Clergy relief or for the widows and orphans of the Clergymen of the Diocese, be remitted by him to the Treasurer of the aforesaid General Clergy Relief Fund, and that the Diocesan Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese be discontinued.

We respectfully use this opportunity to call the attention of our Diocesan Council to the meager contributions by the Clergy and the congregations of Arkansas to this important object. We hope that the merging of the funds, and therefore the discontinuance of the Diocesan Fund, will serve to stimulate our people and our ministers to a deeper and more general interest in this form of Christian co-operation for the aged, the feeble, and the needy of our sacred ministry.

Your Committee suggest that hereafter the General Clergy Relief Fund be substituted for an annual offering on National Thanksgiving Day instead of the Aged and Infirm Clergy and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, as recommended by Standing Resolution No. 5, of the Diocese of Arkansas. It is hoped that every Clergyman and congregation will gladly make this annual contribution. Two of our Clergy are already actual beneficiaries of this excellent society; a third, who lives in this State, but not Canonically resident, receives a grant; and the application of another worthy person is being considered. Let all therefore express their interest by an annual gift, however small, to this deserving object.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. WILLIAMS,

P. K. ROOTS,

Committee.

THE PHILADELPHIA MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The opening service of the Council was held on Tuesday morning, October 21, at 11 o'clock, in St. James's Church.

It consisted of a celebration of the Holy Communion and a sermon, the Bishop of Missouri being the celebrant, and the Bishop of Tennessee the preacher. As might be expected from one who enjoys Bishop Gallor's reputation as a pulpit orator, the sermon was a notable one. The theme was "The Relation of Faith in God to Missionary Undertakings."

The business meetings of the Council were held in "Association Hall," which is in the Young Men's Christian Association Building, and they were all well attended.

The reports of the Board of Managers for the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Societies, and of the Woman's and Sunday School Auxiliaries, were all of an interesting character. It appeared from Mr. George C. Thomas's report, as Treasurer of the Board, that the apportionment plan, which had been in operation for less than a year, had already increased the annual offerings for General Missions by nearly \$100,000, and the number of contributing Parishes by more than one thousand.

There were two great discussions in the course of the Council. The first was upon Bishop Satterlee's proposition to so change the Missionary Canons of the Church as to make the Missionary Council a legislative, instead of simply an educative body. The Bishop had many sympathizers and some able supporters, but he lost the day, because it was too generally believed that it would not do to divide the responsibility for our missionary work between the General Convention and the Council.

The other great debate was upon Bishop Brewer's motion to have all collections for Missions sent to the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, count upon the apportionment of the Dioceses and Parishes from which they came.

A notable feature of the Council was the grand reception given to the delegates and representatives of the Woman's Auxiliary at the Academy of Fine Arts. The spacious halls and rooms, the great collection of works of art, and the music, contributed to make the reception unique and exceptionally pleasurable.

The closing service, called "The Missionary Rally," was worthy the occasion and the city. It was held in the great Academy of Music, which was crowded from the floor to the roof. The meeting was presided over by the Bishop of Missouri, and the speakers were the Bishops of Albany, Vermont, and Klotz. The general theme was "The Present Challenge of the Church to Extend its Missionary Operations Both at Home and Abroad," and the subdivisions in the order of the distinguished speakers were, "The Abundant Opportunity," "The Abundant Resources of Christian People," "The Results of Missions During the Nineteenth Century."

The music at this grand service was led by the combined vested choirs of the Churches of The Holy Apostles, St. Simon's, and the Holy Communion, and joined in by the whole congregation, added greatly to the enthusiasm of the occasion. The hymns were "O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling," "Ancient of Days, Who Sittest Throned in Glory," "Rise, Crowned With Light, Imperial Salem, Rise," "From All That Dwell Below the Skies," and "Fling Out the Banner, Let it Float."

Altogether the "Rally" Missionary meeting was one calculated to make a profound impression, and no one who attended it will ever cease to be thankful for the privilege which was his. In fact this is true of the Council as a whole.

The Diocese of Arkansas was represented by the Rev. Dr. Norton, the Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling and myself. We contributed very little beyond our presence to the meeting of the Council. We were not among the so-called "ready speakers," who were constantly on their feet. But at one of the sessions I ventured to offer the following preamble and resolution, which was unanimously adopted, and which I hope will result in much good to our work among the colored people of the South:

Whereas, The colored population of the old slave States, present the greatest educational, evangelistic and philanthropical problem which confronts the American people, and

Whereas, The \$60,000, allowed by the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Societies is disproportionately



inadequate for the work which this Church should undertake among the colored people of the South, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be and hereby is requested to appropriate at its June, 1903, meeting, the sum of \$100,000 for said work, to be apportioned to the several Southern Bishops by the Commission for work among the colored people.

The next Missionary Council is to be held in October of this year in the Capital City. The Pan-American Conference of Anglican Bishops, which is to immediately precede it, will add to the interest of the Council. I hope Arkansas will be represented, not only by her delegates, but also by all other Churchmen and Churchwomen who can arrange to go. On some accounts I prefer the Missionary Councils to the General Convention. They are more inspiring.

MISSIONARY WORK AMONG OUR COLORED POPULATION.

You will remember that in my last address I expressed the conviction, that in order to inaugurate a satisfactory work among the colored people of Arkansas, it would be necessary to create a separate annual Convocation, to which the colored Ministers and Lay Delegates from Parishes and Missions should belong, and to exclude them from a seat and voice in the Diocesan Council.

My scheme provided that the Bishop, or some Clergyman appointed by him, should preside at the annual meetings of the Colored Convocation, and that the legislation of the Convocation should become a part of the Canonical Laws of the Diocese insofar as it met with the approval of the Annual Council. This scheme was unanimously approved by the Council. But the motion to adopt the necessary changes in our Canons not being unanimous (there being two votes in the negative), the same was laid over till this Council for final action.

There is no doubt that at this Council, the resolution in question will become a part of the Canonical Law; for the negative votes which prevented it from becoming such by unanimous consent upon its first introduction at the Council of last year, were given by persons who are persuaded of the necessity of the proposed separation, but who thought that St. Philip's, Little Rock, the only regularly organized colored congregation that the Diocese has ever had, and their former Pastor should not be excluded before they had been consulted, and, if possible, persuaded to withdraw of their own free will.

Shortly after the Council, the membership of St. Philip's Church, at a representative Parish meeting, freely petitioned me in writing to separate it from the Council in order that it might become a nucleus for a Convocation of Colored Churches and

Missions. And later, for the same reason, its former colored Pastor, then a nonparochial Clergyman, sent me his written resignation of his seat and voice in the Council.

The following self-explanatory letters and documents, relating to the movement set on foot by my suggestion, relative to the drawing of the color line, are so interesting, and from an historical point of view, so important, that I incorporate them in this section of my official address, so as to make sure of their preservation.

St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, Ark., May 28, 1902.

To the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas:

Dear Bishop—In compliance with a preamble and resolution, duly presented and unanimously adopted at a regularly called, full and representative, meeting of the Parishioners of St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, Ark., held on the 27th day of May, 1902, we, the Wardens and Vestrymen of said St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, acting on behalf of the members of the said church, do hereby respectfully petition and request the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas to connect the Parish of St. Philip's, and all other colored Parishes that exist or may exist in said Diocese, with an organization to be known in Canon Law as the Convocation of the Diocese of Arkansas; said Convocation to be restricted in membership to the colored Ministers and Parishes of said Diocese.

It is understood that if this petition is granted, St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, will relinquish all rights to representation in the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas; and that the proposed Diocesan Convocation shall have the right to recommend legislation, which, when approved by the Bishop and Council of the Diocese, shall become a part of the Constitutional and Canonical Law for the government of all colored Ministers and people belonging to the Protestant Episcopal Church in said Diocese.

Hoping that our petition may be granted and praying that under the new Convocational system, our beloved Church may rapidly lengthen her cords and strengthen her stakes until she securely shelters multitudes of the colored race, we are, dear Bishop.

Your obedient children in Christ,

(Signed)

A. M. COLE,

Senior Warden.

J. A. BUCHANAN,

Junior Warden.

Little Rock, Ark., May 27, 1902.

To the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., Bishop of Arkansas:

My Dear Bishop—I attended, by your request, the special meeting of the Parish of St. Philip's, Little Rock, held on Tuesday,

May 27, 1902, at 8 p. m., and I take pleasure in presenting herewith a full report of the proceedings, signed by the Minister in charge, the Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, and myself. I addressed the people by invitation of their Minister in charge, and found them much interested in the object for which you summoned them to meet.

Yours very truly,

(Signed)

W. D. WILLIAMS,
Archdeacon of Arkansas.

RECORD OF A PARISH MEETING HELD IN ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

Pursuant to a notice given by the Minister in charge, the Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, the Communicant members and Parishioners of St. Philip's Church, Little Rock, to the number of thirty-three persons, convened in the church at 8 p. m., on the 27th day of May, 1902. The meeting was called to order by the Minister in charge, who stated in detail the object of this Parish meeting, and introduced the Venerable W. D. Williams, D. D., Archdeacon, requesting him to address the people. He was asked to further develop what had been said by Dean Robottom, regarding the Bishop's plan and progressive policy relating to work among and for the colored people, and the creation of a Convocation for colored Ministers, Churches and Missions.

The Archdeacon stated fully the ideas presented by the Bishop in his address to the Council at Helena, Ark., May 14, 1902, respecting his plans for instituting missionary work among the colored people and the formation of a Convocation for them in this Diocese; and that he desired that St. Philip's Parish should not only seek membership in the proposed Convocation, but should ask the privilege of withdrawing from the Diocesan Council, in order to take the initial step in the formation of the Convocation, and constitute the nucleus for this new organization. He stated that there were to be four Convocations, that of Little Rock, Helena and Fort Smith for the white people, and the fourth to embrace colored people only, and for the whole state. He stated that each of the four Convocations would be presided over by the Bishop or his appointed representative; and all would be related to the Diocesan Council.

He stated that the Bishop regarded the time as fully come for doing a larger work among and for the colored people, and this was the general feeling of Churchmen in the Diocese. That this upward and forward movement could be best done by according the colored people a Convocation of their own, wherein they could consider such things as related to the best interests of the Church in relation to their own race, all of which, so far as it

involved enactments or legislation, would be submitted to the Bishop and Diocesan Council for consideration with a view to ratification.

He stated that St. Philip's Church, in asking to become the nucleus for the proposed Convocation, should authorize and request their Wardens and Vestrymen to petition the Bishop and Diocesan Council to allow them to do so, and request that they be released from having a seat and vote in the Diocesan Council.

An opportunity was given by the Archdeacon for questions to be asked at any time during his address. Mr. Spight remarked that St. Philip's was a Parish, and that he understood it had been reduced to a Mission. The speaker replied that he understood it to be a Parish, and hence the reason why it might become still the nucleus for the proposed Convocation.

Another member asked if they were to have a colored Bishop. The speaker remarked that the Bishop of Arkansas would be the only Bishop, and that his relations would be exactly what they are now.

A member stated that there never had been a "color line" drawn in the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he supposed a Church (which he named) had endeavored to create such a line. Archdeacon Williams assured the inquirer that so far as he knew, no Church and no individual had approached the Bishop upon any such question. The plan of the Bishop, he believed to be strictly and absolutely his own, and conceived and entertained for the good of the colored race.

Other questions were propounded and answers given, chiefly along the same lines. Archdeacon Williams then asked what proportion of the Parishioners of St. Philip's Church was present at the meeting. Answer was given that, with the exception of the Senior Warden, Mr. A. W. Cole, and a very few others, they were all present. The Archdeacon remarked that he thought there were more members in St. Philip's Church than appeared to be present. The answer was made that the "cream of the congregation" was at the meeting. He further remarked the "cream" is all right, but would more "cream" rise if the question be allowed to stand longer. Reply was made that, with few exceptions, which were unavoidable absences, the members were all there.

Archdeacon Williams then asked all who are Communicant members of St. Philip's Church, and are members of the Parish, to indicate it by the uplifted hand. He requested the Minister in charge to make a count, and he stated that there were sixteen. The Archdeacon next introduced and read the following preamble

and resolution, and invited questions or remarks. Some questions were asked and remarks were made:

Whereas, The Bishop of this Diocese has kindly outlined a policy of administration for the extension of missionary work among the colored people of Arkansas; and

Whereas, We believe there is great need of a comprehensive and progressive missionary work among our people; and

Whereas, It is the sense of this meeting that a Convocation established for colored congregations and Ministers will promote the interests of the whole Church in Arkansas; therefore,

Resolved, That we who are Communicant members of this Church do hereby authorize the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Philip's Parish, to petition the Bishop to separate us from the Council of the Diocese, as a Parish, in order that we may become the nucleus for a Convocation of Colored Churches and Missions, in fellowship with, and related to the Diocesan Council, according to the Constitution and Canons that shall be prepared for said Convocation by the Bishop, and as soon as they shall become effective.

The Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, the Minister in charge, then addressed the meeting earnestly and at length. At the close of his remarks, the preamble and resolution were again read. The chairman of the meeting then entertained a motion for the adoption of the preamble and resolution. The motion was carried without a dissenting vote.

After the unanimous adopting of the foregoing, the chairman entertained informal remarks as to repairing the church edifice, or removing to a new site. Judge Gibb favored a change of site and thought the neighborhood of Tenth and Gaines streets a good place. Mr. Spight, Mrs. Spight, Miss Rector and others favored the same line of thought.

The chairman made the announcement as to services on Sunday next. A motion was made to adjourn, and the same prevailed.

The meeting closed about 10 o'clock. It was a season of peace and harmony. The statements made were full and in detail; the questions and remarks by the people were clear, intelligent, and comprehensive. The spirit of the people is hopeful, and they are anticipating a larger and more aggressive work.

In witness whereof, we take pleasure in subscribing our names.

(Signed),

J. PERCY ROBOTOM,

Minister in Charge.

W. D. WILLIAMS,

Archdeacon of Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., June 2, 1902.

To Messrs. A. W. Cole and J. A. Buchanan, Members of the Vestry of St. Philip's Parish, Little Rock, Ark.:

Brethren—Your petition and request, representing the Parish of St. Philip's, Little Rock, and bearing date of May 28, 1902, came duly to hand. I shall take pleasure in presenting the same to the next Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas.

I am much gratified by the spirit and purpose of the petition, and I heartily concur with you in the wish that not only St. Philip's, but also the work of the Episcopal Church among the colored people of the Diocese, may be rapidly advanced, and that the truth as it is in Jesus, may run and have free course and be multiplied.

It is my intention that the Convocational system shall not only strengthen the things that remain, but extend to all who will come, a helping hand.

I am glad to reciprocate your prayers and good wishes, and with kind regards to you individually, and to all, I am,

Very cordially yours,

WM. M. BROWN,
Bishop of Arkansas.

Law Office of Gov. D. W. Jones,

Little Rock, Ark., January 7, 1903.

Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D. D., Little Rock, Ark.:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop—Having learned through the Journal of the Diocese of Arkansas, 1902, page 80, that a Canon was passed at the last regular meeting of the Diocesan Council, establishing a Convocation for the colored workers of the Diocese, as separate from that of the white people, I beg to say that I heartily approve of the action of the Council, believing it to be the best for the interest of the work among both races under the circumstances, and I hereby tender my resignation to the Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, *with the understanding* that I am entitled to a seat and vote in the Convocation which the Canon above alluded to, provides for.

(Signed)

Yours truly,

I. P. DANIELS.

It is not possible that I should at this time enter into any lengthy justification of this action on the part of the Diocese of Arkansas, and myself; and it is unnecessary that I should do so. Suffice it to say, that the same arguments which will justify of separate Parishes for colored people will, in my humble judgment, justify the existence of separate Convocations, if not separate Dioceses for them.

Now, as separate congregations for colored people is the rule at the North, as well as at the South, our Northern brethren cannot, it seems to me, reasonably object to our having separate Convocations, and in the course of time, separate Dioceses for them.

That very little, if anything, could be done in Arkansas toward planting and developing the Church among the colored people so long as they had a representation in the Diocesan Council, was manifest to me from the fact that in all the past years there has been only one congregation, and it was ministered to, for the most part, by white pastors.

There has been, and is, only one colored Minister in the Diocese, and while he had a seat in the Council, he cost the Church so much in the way of dissension and alienation, that so long as the colored Clergy and congregations were entitled to representation in the Council, no other ordination or importation was likely to occur.

Thus you will see that the drawing of the color line around our Council was an absolute necessity. In meeting this necessity we have practically done no more in the way of excluding the colored Ministry and Laity from representation in the deliberative assemblies of the Church than a great majority of the Northern Dioceses have done.

At a recent conference of the colored workers of the Church it was stated by the President, the Rev. G. F. Miller, Rector of St. Augustine's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., that only one Diocesan Convention or Council at the North gave colored Ministry any recognition. These are his words:

"Only in the Diocese of Nebraska has the matter of color or lineage had no repressive or restrictive force; there alone, of this vast territory, has a brother, despite his color, and in virtue of his merit, risen to place and been accorded due recognition."

In view of this representation, we in Arkansas may fairly claim that we are more considerate towards the colored Churchmen than, for example, the Diocese of Pennsylvania, for while we join our Northern brethren in excluding them from any part in our legislative assemblies, yet in our Convocational system we do make it possible for them to make themselves heard to some purpose.

It should be observed that Arkansas does not stand alone among the Southern Diocese in drawing the color line about our Council. Nearly all of them have actually or practically done the same thing, and if Mr. Miller's representation is correct, so have the Northern Dioceses, with only one exception.

The creation of a separate deliberative body for our colored brethren will put us in a position to go ahead with our missionary work among them. As we have seen, in more than ten years we have only one Mission to show for our efforts under the old regime. Within the next decade we confidently hope to organize at least twenty congregations, and build as many combination-chapel-and-industrial-halls under conditions which will accomplish in each case incalculably greater and better results than have so far been accomplished.

The things of a legislative character which I would like to have done at this Council are only two, but they are very important:

1. I should like to have the Diocesan Convocation for colored Ministers and congregations finally established along the lines indicated in the amendment to the Canons recommended last year by the Committee on Canons.

2. I desire that the Council should outline more clearly the rights, respectively, of the Bishop and Vestries of this Diocese in the matter of the calling of Priests to fill vacant Rectorships.

I believe that if we can settle these two matters wisely and rightly we shall be doing a service, not only to this Diocese, but also to the Church generally.

APPENDIX II.

Felena, Ark., May 1, 1903.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EPISCOPATE FUND.

To the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas:

Brethren—I herewith submit my eleventh annual statement of the receipts, expenditures and actual cash value of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, of the Diocese on above date:

RECEIPTS.

1902.

May 1, balance on hand as per last report.....	\$ 1,778.23
Loans reported in last report and repaid during the year:	
New Light Baptist Church (part).....	\$ 200.00
Miles Place	420.00
Diocese of Arkansas	300.00
R. H. and C. T. Word	250.00
W. H. and G. Howe	100.00
L. M. Patrick	500.00

W. N. and S. Straub	\$1,000.00	
M. L. Stephenson	1,290.00	
D. W. Bailey (part)	150.00	
F. B. Sliger	750.00	
G. W. Willey	3,500.00	
N. Straub Sons	3,000.00	
Deener et als	292.50	
Force loans—		
Home Mutual B. & L. Association, No. 3	1,080.00	
People's B. & L. Association, No. 2	960.00	
Total		\$13,792.50
From interest—		
New Light Baptist Church	\$ 66.20	
Miles Place	33.60	
Diocese of Arkansas	40.00	
R. H. and C. T. Word	31.50	
W. H. and G. Howe	10.00	
L. M. Patrick	46.40	
W. N. and S. Straub	80.00	
M. L. Stephenson	103.20	
D. W. Bailey	15.00	
F. B. Sliger	60.00	
G. W. Willey	280.00	
N. Straub Sons	240.00	
Deener et als.	12.05	
Felix Smith	33.40	
G. H. and H. A. Schwartz	53.36	
Wm. M. Brown	25.00	
Short loans	76.50	
Total	\$ 1,206.21	
Deduct from the amount of interest, amount paid the Home Mutual and People's B. & L. Asso- ciations on force loans	421.80	
Difference	\$ 784.41	
From donations—		
P. K. Roots	\$ 10.00	
St. John's, Camden	4.50	
St. John's, Helena	20.55	
Pine Bluff property:		\$ 35.05
Rents collected for eleven months for cottages, from May 1, 1902, to April 1, 1903	\$ 338.70	
By vouchers for repairs, attached—taxes, insur- ance, water, etc	83.25	
Difference	\$ 255.45	

Episcopal residence:

Amount received from Bishop Brown.....	\$2,000.00
Amount received from Bishop Brown	3,718.92
Amount paid by Trustees Episcopate Fund.....	1,150.00
Rent from Bishop Brown, six months.....	300.00
Balance due to T. H. Bunch purchase money for Episcopal residence	10,350.00
	<u>\$17,518.92</u>
Total....	<u>\$34,164.56</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Loans made during the year—

E. Taylor	\$ 60.00
Rena Bonner	470.00
J. C. and M. A. Tappan	1,000.00
M. L. Stephenson	1,290.00
W. H. and G. Howe	100.00
S. O. Dixon	56.00
W. N. & S. Straub	1,000.00
J. C. and M. A. Tappan	450.00
Miles Place	370.00
F. B. Sliger	750.00
G. W. Willey	3,500.00
N. Straub Sons	3,000.00
Wm. M. Brown	1,000.00
Total	<u>\$13,046.00</u>
Payments made on B. & L. stock—	
By Home Mutual, No. 2—monthly payments.....	\$ 222.00
Home Mutual, No. 5	150.00
People's, No. 2	120.00

Total	\$ 492.00
Interest paid on notes for Episcopal residence...	575.48
First note on Episcopal property—T. H. Bunch..	\$ 1,150.00
Paid to T. H. Bunch	\$ 2,000.00
Paid to T. H. Bunch, first note.....	1,150.00
Paid for improvements as per vouchers.....	3,718.92
Balance paid to T. H. Bunch	10,350.00
Improvement tax	72.00
City taxes	187.20
Cyclone policy	16.00
Fire insurance	117.00
Cash on hand	1,289.96
	<u>\$18,901.08</u>
Total	<u>\$34,164.56</u>

Present value of Fund:

Building & Loan stock.	Amount.	Paid in.	Present Value.
Home Mutual Series No. 3,			
118 months	\$3,700.00	\$2,324.98	\$3,515.00
Less amount from forced loans			3,330.00 185.00
Home Mutual Series No. 5,			
82 months	2,500.00	1,089.75	1,350.00
People's B. & L. Series No. 2,			
92 months	2,000.00	1,130.05	1,650.00
Less amount from forced loans			1,480.00 170.00

Bills Receivable:

Name of Maker.	Face.	Accrued Interest.	Total.
E. Taylor	\$ 60.00		\$ 60.00
Rena Bonner	470.00	19.00	489.00
J. C. & M. A. Tappan .. .	1,000.00	35.00	1,035.00
M. L. Stephenson	1,290.00	34.49	1,324.49
W. H. & G. Howe	100.00	4.00	104.00
S. O. Dixon	67.50		67.50
W. N. & S. Straub	1,000.00	28.00	1,028.00
Wm. M. Brown	1,000.00		1,000.00
J. C. & M. A. Tappan .. .	450.00	8.00	458.00
Miles Place	370.00	12.50	382.50
F. B. Sliger	750.00	3.00	753.00
G. W. Willey	3,500.00	4.30	3,504.30
N. Straub Sons	3,000.00	49.35	3,049.35
Felix Smith	668.00	15.00	683.00
G. & H. A. Schwartz	667.00	3.00	670.00
D. W. Bailey	600.00	66.50	666.50
Seaman & King	100.00	28.00	128.00
New Light Baptist Church...	400.00	132.00	532.00

Rents due and unpaid:

Bishop Brown	150.00
Pine Bluff property	31.00

Pine Bluff property:

Value as formerly reported	\$ 3,936.00
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Episcopal property:

Value of residence	17,218.92
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Amount still due on property—Bills receivable to T. H. Bunch	10,350.00
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\$ 6,868.92

Cash on hand	1,289.96
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Present value of fund	\$29,915.52
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Value of fund at last report	22,984.23
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Net increase of fund during year	\$ 6,931.29
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The net earnings of the fund not considering the Episcopal residence would be upon the amount submitted last year \$22,984.23, less the amount paid to T. H. Bunch upon Episcopal residence, \$1,725.48, leaving the earning basis \$21,278.75, the amount produced the difference between \$23,046.60 and \$21,278.75, giving \$1,767.85, being the actual earnings of the fund. The fund has produced little less than 8 per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. FAULKNER,

Trustee.

APPENDIX IIIa.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

DIOCESAN FUND.

Balance on hand at last report	\$ 473.88
Rents from Bishop Brown	150.00

RECEIPTS.

Church or Mission.	Amount.
St. James, Des Arc	\$ 2.00
Mission at El Dorado	2.00
St. John's, Wynne	2.00
St. Matthias, Dermott	2.50
St. Andrew's, Rogers	2.50
Holy Trinity, Berryville	4.00
Mr. William Temple, Fulton	5.00
St. Stephen's, Winslow	5.00
St. Mark's, Conway	5.00
St. Mark's, Lonoke	5.00
Ascension, Booneville	5.00
St. James's, Prescott	6.00
St. John's, Harrison	10.00
St. Clement's, Arkansas City	10.00
Grace Church, Siloam Springs	10.00
Church of Redeemer, Nashville	10.00
St. Barnabas's, Foreman	10.00
St. Agnes's, Morrilton	10.00
Grace Church, Washington	15.00
St. Mary's, Monticello	15.00
St. Mark's, Jonesboro	15.00
St. Philip's, Little Rock	15.00
Emanuel, Lake Village	20.00
St. Luke's, Brinkley	20.00

Christ Church, Mena	\$ 25.00
St. Mark's, Hope	30.00
St. James's, Eureka Springs	40.00
St. Andrew's, Marianna	50.00
Good Shepherd, Forrest City	50.00
St. John's, Camden	75.00
St. Paul's, Batesville	100.00
St. Paul's, Newport	100.00
Trinity, Van Buren	100.00
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	175.00
St. John's, Fort Smith	175.00
St. Luke's, Hot Springs	200.00
Trinity, Pine Bluff	250.00
St. John's, Helena	250.00
Christ Church, Little Rock	450.00
	2,276.00
Total receipts	\$2,899.88

DISBURSEMENTS.

1902.

August 9.—Bishop Brown, first quarter.....	\$375.00
August 27.—Arkansas Democrat, printing Journals.	271.70
September 17.—S. S. Faulkner, Trustee Episcopate	
Fund, loan and interest	310.00
October 17.—Expense Standing Committee	3.00
November 25.—Expense Standing Committee	4.00
December 19.—Bishop's salary, second quarter....	375.00

1903.

January 6.—J. M. Daggett, Secretary, expense	
sending out Journals	31.20
February 7.—Fay Hempstead, Registrar, expense	
moving books	1.00
February 7.—Bishop Brown's salary, third quarter.	375.00
May 7.—Bishop Brown's salary, fourth quarter....	375.00
May 15.—Henry Barlow, janitor	5.00
May 15.—P. K. Roots, postage	5.80
May 15.—J. M. Daggett, Secretary	100.00
Total disbursements	\$2,231.70
Cash balance on hand	\$ 668.18

FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

Balance on hand at last report\$ 366.17

RECEIPTS.

St. Philip's, Little Rock	\$ 1.50
St. James's, Eureka Springs	3.50
St. Mark's, Hope	5.00
Trinity, Van Buren	6.50
St. Paul's, Batesville	8.10
St. Paul's, Newport	10.00
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	16.36
St. John's, Helena	31.85
Council offertory	8.51
Trust Company, interest	10.63
Carl interest	55.70
Carl note	600.00

Total cash	\$1,123.82
Neill note	500.00

Present value of fund	\$1,623.82
Value one year ago	1,466.17

Gain	\$ 157.65
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P. K. ROOTS,
Treasurer.

APPENDIX III.

Little Rock, Ark., May 12, 1903.

To the Bishop and Board of Managers:

Brethren—Below find annual statement of receipts and disbursements of funds by me as Treasurer of your Board:

RECEIPTS.

May 10, 1902, balance on hand	\$ 700.87
Received from—	
Arkansas City	\$ 15.00
Berryville	9.45
Booneville	9.00
Brinkley	12.00
Batesville	80.00
Baring Cross	2.00
Camden	71.30

Conway	\$ 2.50
Dermott	4.00
Dumas	4.30
El Dorado	4.60
Eureka Springs	18.27
Fayetteville	5.30
Foreman	10.50
Fort Smith	100.88
Fulton	5.00
Forrest City	55.05
Gillett	6.00
Gurdon	15.00
Harrison	18.00
Helena	255.00
Hope	15.65
Hot Springs	100.00
Jonesboro	12.15
Lake Village	21.95
Little Rock, Christ Church	347.17
" " St. Philip's Church	14.40
" " St. Paul's Church	7.95
" " Trinity Cathedral	62.98
" " Trinity Cathedral Sunday School....	67.00
Lonoke	9.10
Mammoth Spring	3.00
Mena	6.95
Monticello	4.60
Morrilton	3.50
Marianna	25.65
Nashville	2.95
Newport	57.95
Oak Lodge	10.00
Osceola	6.50
Paragould	6.00
Pocahontas	1.75
Prescott	9.30
Pine Bluff	178.60
Rogers	4.75
Searcy	10.02
Siloam Springs	3.40
Van Buren	99.65
Washington	13.72
Winslow	8.40
Domestic and Foreign Missions	5,000.00
	6,818.19
Total receipts	
	\$7,519.06

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to—

George C. Thomas, Treasurer	\$ 521.26
G. Gordon Smeade	7.60
N. Hockensmith	325.00
T. W. Yeakle, Treasurer	199.98
C. H. Lockwood	17.00
D. B. Ramsey	120.00
J. C. France	270.00
E. J. Hall	55.00
J. B. Whaling	125.00
L. R. F. Davis	275.00
A. M. Treschow	225.00
George D. Arnold	85.00
N. B. Trulock	16.35
George B. Norton	142.50
J. J. Cornish	140.00
John Gatling	13.25
J. W. Barker	150.00
W. D. Williams	2,341.06
S. R. McAlphin	162.50
R. W. Rhames	260.38
Bishop Wm. Brown	350.00
J. J. Vaulx	60.00
I. Trout	29.17
W. A. Fair	350.00
J. W. Thompson	140.00
Alex. Crawford	35.47
H. M. Ingham	41.65
Total	<u>\$6,458.17</u>
Balance	\$1,060.89

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER.

Treasurer Board of Managers.

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church would respectfully report that the year shows a remarkable and continuous advance in every respect. For the purpose of clearness the report is presented under a three-fold phase.

1. The Financial.—Special attention is called to the report by Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Treasurer of Invested Funds. These funds have earned over 8 per cent net during the year. The management of those trust funds has been continued with a primary view to security, and the results are such as to impart absolute confidence in Diocesan funded interests.

One Parish, Trinity, Van Buren, has been favored with the gift of \$1,000 toward an endowment fund for that church. The benevolent forethought of the donor may well be emulated by people of means whose devotion to the Church might be evidenced in their last will and testament.

The summary of parochial improvements during the past year has been very large. Christ Church, this city, has installed in their fine edifice a new organ at an expense of \$6,000, and generously gave their old one to St. Thomas's Church, Searcy. They have opened at an expense of \$1,000 a home for young women, and the total amount of money contributed by the Christ Church congregation for the year exceeded \$11,000.

St. John's Parish, Fort Smith, has continued to improve its substantial property. During the year the church building was re-seated with oak pews, and three beautiful memorial windows have been placed in the sanctuary.

St. John's Church, Camden, has been repaired and improved at a large outlay, and all provided for; and the Church of the Redeemer, Nashville, has been painted and carpeted.

St. Mark's, Jonesboro, has erected a rectory and purchased and paid for important adjoining property. St. Paul's, Newport; St. John's, Harrison, and St. Mark's, Hope, are getting ready to build, while Calvary, Osceola, has begun the erection of a chapel.

Ascension, Pocahontas, and St. Thomas, Searcy, have built churches, and St. John's, Oak Lodge, though not in this Diocese, yet as though it belonged to us in material aid and spiritual work, has built a comfortable chapel.

2. Missionary Record.—In turning from the material to the missionary advance the same encouraging features are manifest. The tide of missionary enthusiasm is rising. The missionary apportionment, so much dreaded by some, will be fully met, if not already in hand. Benevolence engenders benevolence, and we look into the future with hope and encouragement.

The printed statistics will probably show more money contributed for Missions this year than in any previous twelve months in the history of our Diocese.

3. The Spiritual Condition.—There is cause for gratitude and encouragement. The Sunday Schools, beyond question the most

essential department of Church life, are doing well, with but few exceptions, throughout the Diocese.

There is just cause for thankfulness in the returns made of persons confirmed. The growing life of the Church in Arkansas none can dispute. While no one Rector or Missionary has presented a phenomenal number, yet the average is very uniform and high. The Missionary at Mena may be singled out for having presented, in a place where the Church adherents are not many, no less than twenty-nine persons for the Apostolic Rite. He also presented eleven at Oak Lodge.

Congregations in nearly all the churches and missions are steadily increasing. This is notably the case in Christ Church and Trinity, Little Rock, and St. Philip's of this city is experiencing a greater prosperity than ever before in its history.

Turning from the financial, missionary and spiritual condition of our Church in this Diocese to the outlook it is evident that the future is full of hope. The vitalizing force which has already given position and increase, will give proportionate power and growth in coming years. In the assurance of the promise, "Lo, I am with you alway," we press forward.

Respectfully submitted,

G. GORDON SMEADE.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK, BY VENERABLE W. D. WILLIAMS, D. D., ARCHDEACON OF ARKANSAS.

"So the Apostles trained the heathen breast,
They argued not but preached, and conscience did the rest."

In the endeavor to meet the spiritual necessities of our State, the Church is nobly attempting to use its anodynes to soothe and its trowels to build. There is enterprise in her movements and inspiring faith in her devotions. Invention and discovery have quickened the world's pace, and industry and development are crowding Arkansas ahead. The State, no more afoot, is on wheels and wings. Quiet villages are being roused up by the hum of machinery, the mountains, westward and northward, are delved for coal and zinc, and the shriek of steam whistles is reverberating in our primeval forests. Each year marks a mighty advance. The pulse of finance beats stronger, the arm of industrious achievement strikes harder, the eye of faith sees farther, the heart of religion throbs warmer than ever before.

The Sunday School.—In my humble general missionary work the past year, it has been a delight to observe an increasing diligence in behalf of the children. The way the gun is aimed the bullet will go. There are four household Sunday Schools, where neighborhood children assemble to learn the Catechism and the Bible. Sunday Schools in several of the Missions are growing more and more in number and in interest. Parents and people are inclined to the services through the influence of the children, verifying anew the Scriptural assurance, "A little child shall lead them."

It has been well stated by Mr. Gladstone, that "forming" was a greater work than "reforming." Is it not, therefore, a subject for rejoicing that earnest women are found guiding little children, by simplest means, into Christian truths and holy living? What though the house is small, and the children many, is it not as glorious to keep a life within the fold as it is to win back one who has gone astray?

Everybody knows the story of the man who sat a long while by the bank of a river without moving, and explained he was waiting for the river to run by. Some good people are in the same state of mind in regard to the community about them. The different denominations have their Sunday Schools, or perhaps the village or settlement is without a Sunday School. Everything has glided quietly along. There may come a pause! A cessation may occur! These Church women, with a home department every Sunday for the children, did not so learn the Lord Jesus; they did not wait, but made, with their own meager methods, a place for the little ones. Missions in the primary will make missions primary, in after years. It is vain to wait for a good opportunity; these workers make the opportunity.

The Preaching Stations.—The people of Arkansas, as a whole, believe in "preaching." There is a great deal of good preaching in the State. Southwestern people have the characteristic fondness of the South for good speaking. It is therefore necessary for provincial reasons, as well as because the New Testament gives it pre-eminence, that the voice of the preacher should be heard in the land.

There are places where there is only one family of our Church. No Church, no Sunday School in the settlement. Perhaps that family has been there for years. Their children are as thick as berries on a bramble branch. The General Missionary visits the neighborhood and announces a service, with preaching. The people crowd in. To some it is only an incident. But to that pious mother, who has not heard the service of our Church, lo, these many years, its comfort is inestimable. During the

Spanish war, in one of the military wards, a Red Cross nurse put into the hand of a poor fellow of laboring breath and hectic cheek, a great fragrant orange. He turned it over, held it up in his thin fingers, caressed it, kissed it, and laboriously said: "That is worth a hundred dollars." And so it was to him. Thus to many scattered children of our Church, hungry and thirsty, their souls fainting in them, a solitary, simple service is a boon beyond price. They welcome it, enthuse over it, enjoy it; they praise the Missionary Society for providing it, and worship God through it.

The preaching station, in a small way, is a solvent of the sects, provided the attitude toward the various bodies is as benevolent as it is firm. It is quite common for persons from different religious bodies to seek our services at such places, by voluntary choice; sometimes to the pardonable distress of an earnest "preacher." We are not, in our missionary work, in the ordinary sense of the term, a denomination. We are the common meeting ground of all denominations. We are the goal, the moving stake, the home field, for all believers. The Church is the holy ground on which at last they shall all stack their differences.

Every new preaching station means a new way mark on the trail to the millenium. Grand and glorious as are the noble achievements of the various religious bodies, co-operative and otherwise, nevertheless there is a marked tendency to devise new methods and revise old ones to uses, centuries old in the Church. Let it be so, for—

"There is not the smallest orb which thou behold'st
But in his motion, like an angel sings."

There is not a preaching station so small but that its spirit is in unison with the Church that inspires it. There is not a denomination so crude but that it will receive comfort and suggestion from our work; and the Church is ample enough, free enough, and fit enough to furnish a common ground for all the children of the Heavenly King.

The Missions.—Like the preaching stations and Sunday Schools, they are growing, steadily and strongly. If a man in business found that a large portion of his profits were derived from the application of certain methods, would he not exercise himself specially to develop the efficiency of those means? Our Bishop has introduced and maintains a general and helpful superintendency, which is being favorably mentioned by ministers of various names; but, best of all, they are for the edifying of saints and the winning of souls. They are a success. Baptisms and confirmations in the missionary work of Arkansas average in ratio with the strongest Parishes.

A native preacher said this winter to your General Missionary: "I ben watching you 'Piscopals the hull of last year. You do a lot of team-work; we Baptists stick to single-work. We oughter to learn." I meekly remarked that I did not quite understand. He proceeded: "Your Bishop puts a Missionary to work. He toils, and tugs, and does well. But like other folk, he gets into a tight place. Then that same Bishop sends you, just you, to double up for a Sunday, or a few days, or a week, and begolly the work moves. The Missionary and the Archdeacon are a team. They always pull the load through. That's team-work."

This was a tribute. It was commendable, and the Bishop of Arkansas appreciates with delight the unsolicited commendation, and pushes forward the Missions with greater zest.

The Missionaries apply themselves to their work. "This one thing," to labor for the spiritual betterment of the people, is their aim; and to feed the flock of God is their sole ambition. Therefore the mountains are glad for them, and many a solitary place sings for joy. Their methods are churchly, and their controlling enthusiasms are spiritual. They never lower the standard of the Gospel to any merely local height, or to a provincial prejudice. The gaze of the pitying Christ is fixed on souls, rather than on the commercial standing or social position of men. Whether there be education, or riches, or honor, or success, or defeat, or adversity, or whatever else, these shall pass away. But the Missionary zeal and Christian love that toils and gives to bring the thousands of Arkansas to the Christ, the Great Shepherd of our souls, will not pass away. This searching for shepherdless souls, the finding of the lost, the upholding the weak, the restoration of the erring, will hasten the day for America and the world when the angels shall sing—

"Now the kingdoms of the world
Are the kingdoms of His Son."

No Churchman, however busy, can afford to neglect a retrospect of what has been done, for the work has been hard and the success substantial. All should take time for a circumspective survey of our great State, in its commercial interests and spiritual needs. Animation and opportunity characterize the opening years of the Twentieth Century. It is good for us to be here, and do in a simple, brave, loving way the work which alone gives value to the passing generations. It is surely a privilege to place life, and gold and silver, into the walls of a Commonwealth in its building. Arkansas shall, under God, stand

among the foremost States of our republic in the great to-morrow of our people.

"To this our longing soul aspires,
With ardent hopes and strong desires."

APPENDIX VI.

REPORT OF TRUSTEE, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Received from the various Parishes in the Diocese of Arkansas by the Trustee, the Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D., for the Theological Department of the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, the following:

1901.

December 6.—St. Mark's, Hope	\$ 2.00
December 6—Ascension, Booneville	.50

1902.

February 17.—Trinity, Searcy	1.00
February 17.—St. Luke's, Brinkley	1.00
March 28.—St. John's, Helena	15.25
April 15.—St. Andrew's, Marianna	6.20
April 22.—Good Shepherd, Forrest City	2.45
April 30.—St. Mark's, Hope	4.20
May 10.—St. Paul's, Batesville	4.40
May 27.—Christ Church, Little Rock	10.45
May 27.—St. John's, Fort Smith	10.00
May 31.—Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock	25.00
June 13.—Trinity, Pine Bluff	15.00
June 14.—St. John's, Helena	2.55

Total	\$100.00
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1902.

June 14.—To B. L. Wiggins, Treasurer	\$100.00
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June 17.—St. Mark's, Jonesboro	\$ 1.00
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1903.

March 29.—Good Shepherd, Forrest City	5.38
April 2.—Archdeacon Williams	1.00
April 9.—St. John's, Helena	16.70
April 29.—St. Andrew's, Marianna	4.20
April 30.—Trinity, Pine Bluff	15.00
May 5.—St. John's, Camden	4.60
May 9.—St. Paul's, Newport	1.00
May 9.—Trinity, Van Buren	2.50
May 16.—Christ Church, Little Rock	15.00
May 20.—St. John's, Fort Smith	10.00

June 20—Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	\$ 15.00
June 24.—St. Paul's, Batesville	5.00
June 29.—Bishop Brown	10.00

Total\$106.38

1903.

March 15.—To postage for sending letters	\$ 1.00
June 27.—To cash, R. M. DuBose, Treasurer	105.38

Total\$106.38

All contributions for the Theological Department, University of the South, ought to be in hands of the Trustee by the 1st of April, 1904.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF BOARD OF MANAGERS, DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Board of Managers held four meetings during the year. The first was in St. John's Parish building, Helena, Ark., May 16, 1902, at 4 p. m., when the Bishop called the meeting to order, and offered prayer.

The Chair appointed Archdeacon Williams, Secretary *pro tem.*, and expressed grateful satisfaction over the missionary work of the year just closed, and said that he was confident the ensuing year, under God's blessing, would exhibit similar results.

A majority of the newly elected members being present, the Bishop declared that they were ready for the transaction of business.

Upon nomination, the Rev. W. D. Williams was elected Secretary, and Mr. H. C. Rather, Treasurer, for the ensuing year.

The various Missionary districts were carefully considered, and appropriations assigned for each Missionary, subject to the Bishop's discretion to modify or withdraw, as circumstances might arise.

The next meeting was held November 25, in the Bishop's office at Little Rock. This was a delightful occasion, the pleasure and profit of the session being greatly enhanced by the presence of the Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, D. D., General Secretary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. It was not so much a season for business as an occasion to meet, face to face, one of the faithful and distinguished leaders in the great missionary work of our Church. The Bishop delivered an interesting narrative of the missionary situation in the Diocese, and called upon Archdeacon Williams to report the general missionary work along the picket-line of the Church militant in Arkansas.

The Rev. Dr. Lloyd was next invited to speak. He responded at length, and in a most happy manner, to the interest and edification of all present. He emphasized the fact that the Christian religion is a missionary religion, or it is nothing. He assured the Diocesan Board of Missions, as he did the large congregation in Christ Church the evening before, that the General Society extends to us its sympathy as well as its aid, and will be glad to continue to do all in its power to strengthen our hands and encourage our hearts.

At the conclusion of his remarks he invited the members of the Board to ask questions. The "apportionment plan" proved a fruitful theme for comments and inquiries. He stated that the plan seemed to produce desirable results and spur the people to increased endeavor. That both patriotism to evangelize our nation and compassion to save the world should stir our Church to larger giving.

The remarks as well as the addresses of Dr. Lloyd simplified the "apportionment plan," and interested every listener to fall in line and do our best to make good the expectations of the general society.

The third meeting of the Board was held in the Bishop's office, at 8 p. m., February 17. There were present the Bishop, Rev. Canon Lockwood, Rev. Canon Smeade, Archdeacon Williams, Messrs. N. B. Trulock, John Gatling, H. C. Rather. By courtesy the Rev. Canon Rhames and Dean Robottom were present, and contributed to the interest of the evening.

After transacting the routine business of the evening, the Bishop read his proposed Lenten Pastoral, and also his address on "Work Among Colored People." He solicited comments from those present, all of whom availed themselves of the opportunity to express their opinions freely, in compliance with the privilege extended.

The last meeting for the conciliar year convened in the Bishop's office, May 12, at 8:30 p. m. Present, the Bishop, Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. W. D. Williams, D. D., Mr. N. B. Trulock, Mr. H. C. Rather. The Treasurer read his report, exhibiting the receipts and expenditures, and showing a balance on hand of \$1,060.89.

The committee on a new site for St. Philip's Church reported that two places had been considered during the year; but each involved a larger expenditure than the funds at present available would warrant. It was therefore the judgment of the Board that the intention to purchase and build cannot, as yet, be carried out.

but will be as soon as practicable, and that the committee, consisting of Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Archdeacon Williams and Mr. H. C. Rather, be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. WILLIAMS,

Secretary of the Board of Managers.

APPENDIX VIII.

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Reverend Father in God, Members of the Woman's Auxiliary and Friends:

In giving an account of my stewardship for the year, I regret I cannot tell more of personal work done. I think most of you know that until the past two months, owing to ill health, your President has been able to do but little, even in the way of writing and answering letters. Upon my co-workers, more especially the Diocesan Secretary, all labor and responsibility has devolved. In a most systematic, beautiful and characteristic manner she has guided us, and she assures me that the watchword has been progress, not in the number of new branches added, but in the quality of work done. After being invalided for months, I asked the Bishop to appoint someone in my place, but he kindly replied that he thought no change necessary at present, as he considered the society sufficiently well organized to await further developments. I then wrote as strong an appeal as I could to our Secretary, begging her to reconsider her resignation, which she had sent in at our last annual. We had been unable to find anyone who was willing to assume the duties which we know to be irksome to a degree, and past relations had shown us her fitness for the place. She generously consented to resume the office during this trying term, when it looked as though we might go to pieces. I trust the time is close at hand when God will give me the strength to gather up the broken threads, unite the scattered ends and once more carry on the duties of life.

It is very gratifying to know that all the branches of the Auxiliary so willingly adopted as their Lenten work, that which has been so dear to my heart, the Foreign Field, more especially China, where our effort has been to provide scholarships, so that we may help to carry out the Grand Commission—"Go teach." We in this State should feel an added interest in the Christianizing of the great Empire, since one of our Diocesan officers has given one of her dear boys to that immense work, which should appeal to all who bear the name of Churchmen or women.

This year's report will bring no record or but few of boxes sent out, but of growth in the study of missions. Some branches I know formed study classes during the six weeks of Lent, and found it not only interesting and broadening but fascinating. Learning about peoples differentiated from us by homes and civilization, the lives of some were found to be quaint and picturesque, while that of others, especially the women and children, were revolting. It is necessary for us to know the wants of these peoples, and the means the Church has taken to fulfill them. Any cause for which we study and work and give our time will grow dear to us, and what we love we pray for, and when we reach the condition of prayer we are safe. Then giving of our substance, which is so hard for some unless they have been trained from infancy, will follow easily.

Another branch has resolved on the penny-a-day system for the "United Offering," or the first of each month gives thirty cents to be turned over to the Secretary or Treasurer and put out at interest.

I believe if as many of the branches or individuals as can will do this and do it systematically, we may have an offering for 1904 of which we will not be ashamed.

When the "Apportionment" plan was decided upon the Woman's Auxiliary was asked to give a hundred thousand a year as their share. At the Council meeting held last year in Helena, we calculated that if each member of the Auxiliary in this Diocese would give thirty or thirty-five cents it would make our pro rata. I am not sure whether all did or not, but I know a great many gave. It can still be given. Another thing I would like to be arranged would be a Board meeting at least once between the times of the annual meetings. A face to face talk of five minutes about the best means of extending and emphasizing our work is worth a dozen letters. I am familiar with the objections which can be raised to this suggestion, the expense, the distance, not so much in miles as in poor railroad facilities, especially in the Eastern part of the State, but the secular societies and clubs seem to be able to overcome these difficulties, so why cannot we in this nobler aim, which means not only a higher culture, a broader education, but even life itself. Oh, women, nothing is efficient except it be real, and it is the real force of woman not the unreal which we want. It is not the mere ornamental service which we need, but the greatest moral development in her spirit, her heart and her life. Woman is said to be the conscience of the world; if that be true, then her heart and soul must be filled with the Divine power and beauty, love and service for her fellow beings that she may leave the world better for having lived in it.

The test of the value of either men or women organizations in the Church is the truth and earnestness of their missionary spirit.

If for themselves only they exist for their own pleasure or profit without endeavoring to become trained in ideals of unselfishness and helpfulness, based upon Christ-like principles, they will be no more benefit than any other secular society. The every day life can become one of self sacrifice and heroism if it be governed by loyalty to our Saviour's command, "Bear ye one another's burdens." I believe if the effort was made we could form a Church Periodical Club, and thus send to the small towns and country districts books and periodicals which would as truly clothe and feed the naked and hungry as the material commodities. Have one woman who would interest herself to collect the books and send them on their missionary journey. No matter how many read a good book, it is just as helpful for the next one who reads it. You will recall that at the last General Convention there were five new Missionary Jurisdictions formed. In addition to Porto Rico and the Philippines, there was Western Kansas, an additional one in China, and since the English Church has retired from Hawaii, that is also left to our care. This means a much larger outlay for the Board of Managers, and as they have only what the Church gives them to dispense, I earnestly urge that each branch of the Auxilliary no matter how poor, will try and give more and designate it for General and Foreign work. As we are the Woman's Auxilliary to the Board of Missions, we ought to feel pledged to the help of it in every way we can. One fact that ought to cause serious thought, is that we do not seem to be reaching the younger women as we should. Very few of the young matrons are members, the fault must be ours. Possibly we have not been the mothers we should, in a figurative sense. The Junior and Baby branches are not doing what they can. For awhile they seemed so full of promise, and we congratulated ourselves that in them we saw the future Auxilliary, and some who would be glad and willing to give their lives to Christ's service. Young womanhood is full of enthusiasms, so why should not her enthusiasm be turned into missionary channels, where her sympathies, which belong to woman's heart, may be enlisted and she may familiarize herself with this grand work, which must inevitably fall before many years to the younger generation. The time is short and some have already borne the burden and heat of the day. We realize that many who have faithfully served in the past will before a great while be going out from among us and leaving their work to others. Who those others shall be is a question for the coming years to solve. There will never fail some who will labor for Christ's kingdom, but there is a great company of young women who should belong to the Auxilliary, and we will fail of our duty if we do not try to influence them to come in.

May God bless you, one and all, and make this the very best and most helpful meeting we have ever had.

May, 1903.

JENNIE H. PILLOW.

APPENDIX IX.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

To the lasting regret of all, both officers and members of the Woman's Auxiliary in Arkansas, Mrs. George H. Lee did not see her way clear to accept the Diocesan Secretaryship to which she was unanimously elected last May, and our President performed the duties of that office as well as her own, until she was compelled by her severe illness to ask for help. At the request, and by Bishop Brown's appointment, Mrs. Rhames consented to act as Secretary for the remainder of the conciliar year. The Bishop's appointment was dated from January 15.

Immediately after this date a letter came to the Secretary from Miss Emery asking that a special effort be made to raise the Arkansas Auxiliary apportionment for General Missions, which amounted this year to \$274.00.

Your Secretary made a journey to Little Rock to talk the matter over with the Bishop, the Diocesan officers and the officers of the Little Rock branches.

As a result of this conference, a definite sum was asked of each branch as a special Lenten work. They have responded nobly, as the branch reports will show, some branches increasing rather than diminishing the sum expected from them, and all responding so cheerfully and encouragingly that the Secretary found her task materially lightened.

I wish I might urge the delegates present at this meeting to pledge their respective branches for the same sum for the Auxiliary apportionment, which they have been able to give this year, making it again our special Lenten work. So when we have this meeting, separate, and go back to our homes, we can say to our branches, "We have something to do in Lent which we must look forward to." Then the United Offering will be made the theme of our meetings in these summer months, and even when it is too hot to meet and be energetic, we can still drop our silver in our blue boxes and they will not be put aside for Lenten work. Let us know what we have to do, and then do it with all our might.

I cannot close this report without making special mention of our branch Secretaries and their promptness in replying to my letters, and for their business-like answers to all questions. They have my heart-felt thanks. It is a pleasure to work with such a corps of helpers.

Since January 15, I have received on Auxiliary business fifty letters.

Have written 67 personal letters—2c each postage.....	\$1.34
Sent out 12 packages of leaflets	.24
Mailed 112 programs; postage on same	2.24
Stationery	.75
Printing	1.00

Total expenses\$5.57

On February 2 I received from Mrs. P. K. Roots a check for \$4 for postage and stationery.

On May 2 I received \$3.85 from Mrs. Logan H. Roots for postage, etc.

On May 12 I received a check from Mrs. P. K. Roots of \$3 for the same purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. RHAMES,

Secretary

APPENDIX X.

REPORT OF TREASURER WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

UNITED OFFERING.

1902.

May 10, balance on hand \$ 6.60

RECEIPTS.

From Marianna	\$ 2.62
From Forrest City	2.87
From Van Buren	5.28
From Trinity Cathedral	5.42
From Fayetteville	7.16
From Batesville	10.00
From Newport	10.47
From Hot Springs	11.52

55.34

Total\$ 61.94

General Missions—Apportionment Fund:

From Mrs. Horsfall	\$ 1.00
From Hot Springs	2.45
From Marianna	7.25
From Camden	10.00

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From Van Buren	\$ 10.00
From Forrest City	10.45
From Helena	10.90
From Helena, for girls' scholarship in China.....	50.00
From Newport	15.00
From Batesville	20 60
From Pine Bluff	25.00
From Trinity Cathedral	26 00
From Christ Church, Little Rock	88.10
Total	<u>\$276.75</u>

Diocesan Missions:

From Pine Bluff	\$ 3.60
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Diocesan Tax:

From Van Buren	\$ 1.00
From Forrest City	1.00
From Helena	1.00
From Batesville	2.00
From Trinity Cathedral	2.00
Total	<u>\$ 7.00</u>

Fund for Families of Clergymen in Arkansas:

Balance on hand	\$ 38.25
From Mrs. Sanders	\$ 1.00
From Hot Springs.....	10.00
Total	<u>11.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 49.25</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Missions—Apportionment Fund:

1902.

August 20, draft to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer....	\$ 34.65
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1903.

May 16, draft to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.....	242.10
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Total	<u>\$276.75</u>
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Diocesan Missions:

May 7, to H. C. Rather, Treasurer	\$ 3.60
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Diocesan Tax:

February 9, to Mrs. R. W. Rhames, Secretary.....	\$ 4.00
May 9, to Mrs. R. W. Rhames, Secretary	3.00
Total	<u>\$ 7.00</u>
Cash balance in hand of Treasurer—	
United Offering	\$ 61.94
For families of Clergymen in Arkansas	49.25
Total	<u>\$111.19</u>

MRS. P. K. ROOTS.

Treasurer.

APPENDIX XI.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

Trinity Cathedral Parish.

The Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., Bishop.

The Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, Dean; residence, 1613 Spring street, Little Rock; Maj. P. K. Roots, Lay Reader; Maj. P. K. Roots and William Ayres Cook, Wardens; Clement H. Yost, Clerk; T. W. Yeakle, Treasurer.

Number of families, 150. Number of individuals, 300. Whole number baptised persons, 850. Number of confirmed persons last report, 150. Number of confirmed persons this report, 250. Baptisms—Infants, 25; adults, 10; confirmations, 18; marriages, 12; burials, 15; Sunday School—Teachers, 10; pupils, 210. Public Services—On Sunday, 104; on other days, daily in Lent; Holy Communion celebrated, every Sunday and Holy Day; sittings in the church free, 450.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$110; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$2,640.39; Sunday School, \$100; Trinity Guild, \$624.17; Daughters of the King, \$35; Junior Daughters of the King, \$12. Diocesan—Assessment, \$175; Diocesan Missions, \$64.47; aged and infirm Clergy, \$25. Missions—General, \$64.48; Foreign, \$10; University of the South, \$25; Woman's Auxiliary, \$50. Total for all objects, \$3,935.51.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000; value of church building, \$25,000; value of Rectory, \$3,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$38,000.

Trinity Cathedral Chapter.

Clerical Members—Bishop William Montgomery Brown, D. D., President of the Chapter and Rector of the Parish. Dean J. Percy Robottom, M. A., Senior Assistant of the Bishop and resident Pastor and Preacher. The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., Junior Assistant of the Bishop.

Senior Canon—

Minor Canons—C. H. Lockwood, D. D., G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., J. B. Whaling, M. A., R. W. Rhames, M. A., A. A. Robertson, M. A., and G. DeWitt Dowling, M. A., occasional preachers.

Lay Members—P. K. Roots and W. Ayres Cook, Wardens; Clement Yost, Clerk; Thomas W. Yeakle, Treasurer; W. S. Mitchell, J. W. Beidelman, C. K. Lincoln, J. M. Bracey and W. G. Hall.

ARGENTA, PULASKI COUNTY.

St. Luke's Mission.

Dr. Newton Hockensmith, Missionary; residence, Little Rock.

Number of families, 5. Whole number baptised persons, 15. Confirmations, 2.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Pressing need of a church building. Argenta, or North Little Rock, is growing rapidly.

BARING CROSS, PULASKI COUNTY.

St. Barnabas' Mission.

Dr. Newton Hockensmith, Missionary; residence, Little Rock, Mr. Albert Wassell, Warden.

Number of families, 10. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number baptised persons, 50. Sunday School—Teachers, 1; pupils, 30; total, 31. Public Services—On Sunday, 3; on other days, 1.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$10. Missions—General, \$2.

This is a place distressingly in need of a chapel. The Sunday School, faithfully maintained by its Superintendent, Mr. Albert Wassell, convenes in a small shed, the property of the fire department. Will not someone come to the relief of this worthy enterprise?

BATESVILLE, INDEPENDENCE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

The Rev. R. W. Rhames, Rector; residence, Batesville; J. C. Fitzhugh, Lay Reader; J. C. Fitzhugh and W. B. Lawrence, M. D., Wardens: Wm. Ramsey, Clerk; J. E. Rosebrough, Treasurer.

Number of families, 45. Number of individuals, 25. Whole number baptised persons, 130. Number of confirmed persons last report, 100; Number of confirmed persons this report, 100. Number communicating during the year, 80. Baptisms—Infants, 4; adults, 2. Confirmations, 10. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 9; pupils, 60; total, 69. Public Services—On Sunday, 78; on other days, 80; Holy Communion celebrated, 30; sittings in the church free, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$4.55; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$954.38; other Parochial expenses, viz: Sundry bills, \$29.95; improvement on rectory (Parish aid), \$50; improvement on church (Easter offering), \$45; Sunday School (receipts), \$45.68. Total, \$1,129.56. Diocesan—Diocesan Assessment, \$100; Diocesan Missions, \$40; aged and infirm Clergy, \$15.50; Batesville Widows and Orphans Home (I. O. O. F.), \$13.68; special offering for Pocahontas, \$10. Total, \$179.18. Missions—General, \$40; Domestic, \$20; other objects without the Diocese, viz: Sunday School Lenten offering, \$32.15; Woman's Auxiliary General Missions, \$15; Woman's Auxiliary, other objects, \$46.95. Total, \$154.10. Total for all objects, \$1,462.84.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$1,800. Total value of all Parish property, \$4,800.

On the first of January, 1903, the Parish relinquished all aid from the Diocesan Missionary Board and became self-supporting. The Rev. R. W. Rhames was called as rector from that date.

BERRYVILLE, CARROLL COUNTY.

St. John's Mission.

Digby J. West, Warden; James Pope, Clerk; Digby J. West, Treasurer.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 4. Whole number baptised persons, 15. Number of confirmed persons this report,

9. Number communicating during the year, 9. Baptisms—Infants, 4; burials, 1. Public Services—On other days, 16; Holy Communion celebrated, 5.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), 30 cents; Diocesan—Diocesan assessment, \$4; Diocesan Missions, \$5.67. Missions—General, \$3.78. Total for all objects, \$43.45.

This little mission suffered a great loss last year in the death of Captain Digby, of West, a leading citizen, faithful husband, affectionate father, a loyal Churchman, and exemplary Christian. The Guild has created a fund for the erection of a Chapel.

BOONEVILLE, LOGAN COUNTY.

Ascension Mission.

The Rev. August Michael Treschow, Minister; residence, Mena, Polk County; Gardner H. Myers, Warden; John P. Thayer, Treasurer.

Number of families, 9. Number of individuals, 5. Whole number baptised persons, 28. Number of confirmed persons last report, 11. Number of confirmed persons this report, 11. Baptisms—Infants, 3. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 38; total, 42. Public Services—On Sunday 8; on other days, 6; Holy Communion celebrated, 4; sittings in the church free, 96.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$4; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$25; Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$5.40; aged and infirm Clergy, 90 cents. Missions—General, \$3.60. Total for all objects, \$43.90.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of church building, \$750. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

The Chapel is completed and paid for. For several months they have not had regular services, but the Sunday School has been regularly maintained and has increased in attendance and in membership. It is now expected that the Rev. August M. Treschow, of Mena, will give a monthly service here.

BRINKLEY, MONROE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Mission.

The Rev. J. C. France, Missionary; residence, Jonesboro; T. H. Jackson and Dr. E. T. Owen, Wardens; Fred E. Sapp, Clerk and Treasurer.



Number of families, 19. Number of baptised persons, 38. Number of confirmed persons last report, 33. Number of confirmed persons this report, 37. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 2. Confirmations, 4. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10; total, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, 10; on other days, 3; Holy Communion celebrated, 3; sittings in the church free, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$49.40. Diocesan—Assessment, \$20; Diocesan Missions, \$1.30. Total, \$21.30. Missions—General, \$1.90. Total for all other objects, \$72.60.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of church building, \$1,000; other Parish property, \$120. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,370.

We have about \$30 in our building fund, which will be spent in repairs on the church building in a short time.

CAMDEN, OUACHITA COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

The Rev. Howard M. Ingham, Minister; residence, Camden; Colonel P. Lynch Lee, Lay Reader; General Joseph A. Reeves, and Colonel P. Lynch Lee, Wardens; Reese Thomas Lockett, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 24. Number of individuals, 16. Whole number baptised persons, 86. Number of confirmed persons last report, 54. Number of confirmed persons this report, 51. Number communicating during the year since December 18, 1902, 45. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 24; total, 28. Public Services—On Sunday, 43; on other days since December 18 only, 35; Holy Communion celebrated, 5 public, 2 private; sittings in the church free, 180.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, since December 18, 1902, \$8; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), whole year, \$672.68; raised and expended for repairs by Vestry, \$510; raised and expended for repairs by Guild, \$75. Total, \$1,265.68. Diocesan—Assessment, \$75; Diocesan Missions, being 40 per cent of \$60, \$24; permanent Episcopate fund, \$4.50. Total, \$103.50. Missions—

General, being 60 per cent of \$60, \$36; University of the South, \$4.60; other objects without the Diocese, viz: general Clergy relief, \$3.40. Total, \$44. Total for all objects, \$1,413.18.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of church building, after improvements, costing over \$800, have been added, \$3,500; value of Rectory, \$800. Total value of all Parish property, \$5,300.

Sunday School gave December 12, 1902, to Oklahoma \$8.58; Sunday School gave February 28, 1903, to Archdeacon, \$6.56; Sunday School gave Lenten boxes, 1903, \$20.21. Total, \$35.35.

The sum raised by Vestry for church repairs has been expended on church edifice and includes new roof, vestibule, bell tower, sidewalks, retaining walls, etc. The Woman's Guild has expended \$75 on Rectory in painting and repairs. In addition to above the Guild has raised about \$100 this year, which, added to a sum two years in accumulating of about \$125, makes some \$225 now on hand to be used in repairing, redecorating and relighting the church interior.

CLARENDON, MONROE COUNTY.

Christ Mission.

Number of families, 2. Number of individuals, 11. Whole number baptised persons, 19. Number of confirmed persons last report, 13. Number of confirmed persons this report, 13.

There has been no service in Clarendon, except a burial service since the last report. It is the intention to hold occasional services here.

CONWAY, FAULKNER COUNTY.

St. Mark's Mission.

Mr. S. R. McAlpin, Missionary; residence, Morrilton; Sylvester Reed McAlpin, Lay Reader; Miss N. G. Randall, Clerk; Mrs. Laura Mitchell, Treasurer.

Number of families, 4. Whole number baptised persons, 12. Number of confirmed persons last report, 9. Number of confirmed persons this report, 9. Public Services—On Sunday, 8; Holy Communion celebrated, 1; sittings in the church free, 100.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$1.50. Missions—General, \$1. Total for all objects, \$7.50.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of church building, \$1,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,300.

Since the last report the title to the property has been completed. The services are well attended.

DARDANELLE, YELL COUNTY.

St. Paul's Mission.

Mr. S. R. McAlpin, Missionary; residence, Morrilton; A. Medenwald, Warden.

Number of families, 3. Whole number baptised persons, 8. Number of confirmed persons last report, 4. Number of confirmed persons this report, 4. Sitzings in the church free, 150.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of church building, \$500; value of Rectory, \$50. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$650.

Only an occasional service in thirteen years. But there is a better day dawning for town and church. After long years of waiting Dardanelle is to have a railroad from Paris, Arkansas, to Hot Springs. The necessary bonus of \$45,000 has been raised. New commercial life will energize existing business and the patient waiting of the people will soon be rewarded. Our church property, admirably located, pathetically appeals for restoration. No greater need in the Diocese, no worthlier object in the whole church.

DES ARC, PRAIRIE COUNTY.

St. James's Mission.

Dr. Putnam Dickinson, Warden.

Number of families, 4. Whole number baptised persons, 11. Number of confirmed persons last report, 11. Number of confirmed persons this report, 11. Public Services—On other days, 3.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$4.10. Total for all objects, \$6.10.

Rev. Geo. B. Norton, S. T. D., closed his labors here in October, 1902. Since that time services have not been regularly held, but will be resumed. It is expected that the railroad will be extended this fall to DeVall's Bluff. This will enable a Missionary to minister to the few families much easier than otherwise.

DEVALL'S BLUFF, PRAIRIE COUNTY.

All Saint's Mission.

The Rev. John Cyril France, Missionary; residence, Jonesboro; Fred A. Hippolite, M. D., Clerk.

Number of families, 6. Number of confirmed persons last report, 7. Number of confirmed persons this report, 7.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

No services held here since the resignation of the Rev. Geo. B. Norton, S. T. D., in October, 1902, but it is expected that the Rev. J. C. France will conduct services occasionally in connection with his appointment at Brinkley. This mission has suffered much from removals.

DUMAS, DESHA COUNTY.

Grace Mission.

The Rev. J. W. Thompson, Missionary; residence, Monticello.

Number of families, 3. Whole number baptised persons, 12. Number of confirmed persons last report, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 12. Baptisms—Infants, 4. Public Services—On other days, 2.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan Missions, \$4.30. Total for all objects, \$4.30.

Services are held in a "Union Church" building.

EL DORADO, UNION COUNTY.

St. Thomas's Mission.

Number of families, 2. Number of individuals, 3. Whole number baptised persons, 5. Number of confirmed persons last report, 1. Number of confirmed persons this report, 3. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Public Services—On other days, 2.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$4.60. Total for all objects, \$6.60.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500.

A growing place. Gives promise of being the principal town south of Camden. Before the war there was a church building here. The land affords an ample site for rebuilding. There is no mission or service nearer than Camden, thirty miles away. It is hoped a Chapel may be erected soon. The Archdeacon holds occasional services.

EUREKA SPRINGS, CARROLL COUNTY.

St. James's Parish.

C. F. Ellis, Lay Reader; J. C. Cunningham and J. F. Ellis, Wardens; Frank E. Patrick, Clerk; C. F. Ellis, Treasurer.

Number of families, 24. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number baptised persons, 51. Number of confirmed persons last report,

37. Number of confirmed persons this report, 34. Number communicating during the year, 20. Sunday School—Teachers, 3; pupils, 16; total, 19. Public Services—On Sunday, 90; on other days, 4; Holy Communion celebrated, 12; sittings in the church free, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscriptions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$579.27; other Parochial expenses, viz: repairs, \$32.71. Total, \$611.98. Diocesan—Assessment, \$40; Diocesan Missions, \$11.75; aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.45. Total, \$667.18.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,500; value of church building, \$500; other Parish property, chapel, \$500. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.

The Sunday School has accumulated during the past year \$38.85, and expended \$14.84, leaving \$24.01. Of this \$24.01, \$6.43 is in the general fund, leaving a surplus to go to the Sunday School building fund of \$17.58. To this amount various friends have contributed \$5.51, making a total of \$23.09, which, added to the funds in bank to the credit of the Sunday School building fund of \$26.48, makes a grand total to the Sunday School building fund of \$49.57. This report is as near correct as I can make it as to page one, owing to the fact that our clergyman, Rev. L. R. F. Davis, left the Parish February 22, leaving me no date of services, etc.

FAYETTEVILLE, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

The Rev. Henry Benton Smith, Rector elect; residence, to be at Fayetteville; W. B. Welsh and L. H. Weston, Lay Readers; Dr. W. B. Welsh and J. L. Cravens, Wardens; J. W. Massengale, Clerk; J. H. McIlroy, Treasurer.

Number of families, 58. Number of individuals, 32. Whole number baptised persons, 175. Number of confirmed persons last report, 140. Number of confirmed persons this report, 148. Number communicating during the year, 50. Baptisms—Infants, 15; adults, 4; confirmations, 8; marriages, 4; burials, 6. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 50. Total, 54. Public Services—On Sunday, 30; on other days, including Lenten day services, 45; Holy Communion celebrated 30; sittings in the church free, 250.

Services are supported by endowment, by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, estimated \$80; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$4.61. Total, \$5.41.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000; value of church building, \$4,000; value of Rectory, \$3,000; endowments or invested funds amount to \$600. Total value of all Parish property, \$9,600.

Rev. James J. Vaulx, who has served as Rector of the Parish for twenty-six years, resigned, to take effect October 31, 1902. On October 27, he left for West Palm Beach, Florida, where he is now located. The Parish has been without a Rector from that time to the present. Since Easter the Rev. Henry Benton Smith was elected Rector, but he has not yet arrived. This report has been made out mostly from my private calendar and is therefore an approximately full report; as to other matters which should be reported I have no notes whatever, so I have not attempted to fill all the blanks.

FOREMAN, LITTLE RIVER COUNTY.

St. Barnabas' Mission.

Rev. August Michael Treschow, Missionary; residence, Mena, Polk County.

Number of families, 10. Number of individuals, 7. Whole number baptised persons, 24. Number of confirmed persons last report, 18. Number of confirmed persons this report, 22. Baptisms—Adults, 1. Burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 12. Total, 14. Public Services—On Sunday, 11; on other days, 1; Holy Communion celebrated, 2; sittings in the church free, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$100; purchase of lot adjoining church lot, \$50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$10.50; Sunday School 1903 Lenten mite box offering, \$4.41. Missions—General, \$7.14. Total for all objects, \$182.05.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of church building, \$800. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,050.

The Chapel is completed, furnished and ready for consecration. During the year a lot adjoining the church property has been purchased and paid for. The Mission suffered a great loss in the death of Judge J. W. Hopson.

FORREST CITY, ST. FRANCIS COUNTY.

Good Shepherd Parish.

The Rev. J. J. Cornish, Rector; residence, Forrest City; James Gillam, Lay Reader; John Gatling and H. A. Knight, Wardens; Walter Gorman, Clerk; Ellis Turley, Treasurer.

Number of families, 13. Number of individuals, 8. Whole number baptised persons, 79. Number of confirmed persons last report, 47. Number of confirmed persons this report, 38. Burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 45. Total, 49. Public Services—On Sunday, 52; on other days, 52; Holy Communion celebrated, 12; sittings in the church free, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$56.70; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$463.75. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50; Diocesan Missions, \$20. Missions—General, \$31.30. Total for all objects, \$636.13.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,800; value of church building, \$3,000; value of Rectory, \$800; other Parish property, \$250. Total value of all Parish property, \$5,850.

Rev. J. J. Cornish was Rector from March 1, 1901, to April 15, 1903.

FORT SMITH, SEBASTIAN COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

Wm. A. Falconer, Lay Reader; W. T. Cate and Wm. A. Falconer, Wardens; Andrew S. Dowd, Clerk; James A. Faltz, Treasurer.

Number of families, 91. Number of individuals, 97. Whole number baptised persons, 500. Number of confirmed persons last report, 308. Number of confirmed persons this report, 308. Sunday School—Teachers, 9; pupils, 150. Total, 159. Public Services—On Sunday, 104; on other days, 100; Holy Communion celebrated, 60; sittings in church free, 300.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$1,501.10; payment of debts, \$500; improvements on church—pews, etc., \$1,138.47. Diocesan—Assessment, \$175; Diocesan Missions, \$60.53. Missions—General, \$40.35. Total for all objects, \$3,415.45.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$3,000; value of church building, \$2,000; value of Rectory, \$5,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$28,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,500.

FULTON, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

Emanuel Mission.

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Ph. D., Lay Missionary; residence, Hope. Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 6. Whole number baptised persons, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 6. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 15. Total, 17. Public Services—On Sunday, 1; on other days, 15. Services held in Methodist meeting house.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$30. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$2. Missions—General, \$3. Total for all objects, \$40.

Services were held in Fulton three times by Mr. S. R. McAlpin during May and June, 1902, but regular twice monthly week day services have been held since December, 1902, and by the next Conciliar report a Mission will be organized.

HARRISON, BOONE COUNTY.

St. John's Mission.

John P. Clendennin and John E. Barnard, Lay Readers; John P. Clendennin, Warden; J. E. Barnard, Clerk; F. W. Huntington, Treasurer.

Number of families, 15. Number of individuals, 3. Whole number baptised persons, 30. Number of confirmed persons this report, 22. Number communicating during the year, 20. Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 5; confirmations, 9. Public Services—On Sunday, 12; on other days, 16; Holy Communion celebrated, 5.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$60. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$7.20. Missions—General, \$7.20. Total for all objects, \$88.

During the year the Mission was organized and a class of nine persons confirmed. The Bishop's visit in January was the first time a Bishop of our Church ever entered the county. A site has been donated for a Chapel and the contract let to build it. The Rev. L. R. F. Davis, of Eureka Springs, held services here monthly. It is a promising field.

HELENA, PHILLIPS COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

The Rev. Charles Harry Lockwood, Rector; residence 507 Perry Street, Helena; Mr. Nathan French Bruce, Lay Reader; Judge P. O. Thweatt and Hon. Greenfield Quarles, Wardens; Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 125. Number of individuals, 25. Whole number baptised persons, 372. Number of confirmed persons last report, 292. Number of confirmed persons this report, 307. Present number of communicants, 282. Number communicating during the year, approximately, 250. Baptisms—Infants, 19; adults, 10; confirmations, 16; marriages, 6; burials, 4. Sunday School—Teachers, 18; pupils, 143. Total, 161. Public Services—On Sunday, 109; on other days, 100; Holy Communion celebrated, 85; sittings in the church free, 550.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$36.90; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$2,547.27; other Parochial expenses, viz: Ladies' Aid Society, \$467.50; Young Ladies' Guild, \$163; Ophelia Polk Moore Memorial Home, \$42.10; Christmas offering, \$24.80. Total, \$3,281.57. Diocesan—Assessment, \$250; Diocesan Missions, \$100; permanent Episcopate fund, \$20.55; aged and infirm Clergy, \$31.85; other objects within the Diocese, viz: Lake Village, \$23.50. Missions—General, \$150; Sunday School Lenten and Easter offering, \$90; University of the South, \$19.15; other objects without the Diocese, viz: various Missions, \$15; general Clergy fund, \$23.70; Woman's Auxiliary to Board of Missions, \$119.63. Total, \$417.48. Total for all objects, \$4,124.95.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$3,000; value of church building, \$3,000; value of Rectory, \$3,500; other Parish property, \$3,600. Total value of all Parish property, \$40,100.

The Parish has paid all assessments in full and is in splendid condition.

HOPE, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

St. Mark's Parish.

The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D., Archdeacon; residence 1015 Commerce Street, Little Rock; Prof. Alexander Crawford, M. A. Ph. D., Lay Missionary; Samuel A. Knighton, Lay Reader; Judson Timothy West and Samuel A. Knighton, Wardens; Moses Harry Barlow, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 22. Number of individuals, 9. Whole number baptised persons, 65. Number of confirmed persons last report, 40. Number of confirmed persons this report, 40. Number communicating during the year, 35. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 20. Total, 25. Public Services—On Sunday, 72; on other days, (34 Lenten daily), 40; Holy Communion celebrated, 10; sittings in church free (Chapel, Lamar Hotel), 75.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$470.61; other Parochial expenses, viz: Repairs on Rectory and fences of property, \$16.07; insurance and taxes paid on Rectory and property, \$20.95; incidental expenses of Lay Missionary until Rectory vacated by renter, \$20. Total, \$57.02. Diocesan—Assessment, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$33.45; aged and infirm Clergy, \$5. Missions—General, \$35.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$800; value of Rectory, \$900; other Parish property, \$300; endowments or invested funds amount to, \$1,085. Total value of all Parish property, \$3,085.

July 7, 1902, St. Mark's Church property was sold to Rt. Rev. Edward Fitzgerald, Roman Bishop of Arkansas, for \$1,000, and since, the Parish has been worshipping in an improvised Chapel in the Lamar Hotel, until the construction of the new St. Mark's Church, to be built during the summer, a Gothic edifice with Norman tower, costing \$3,500. In October, 1902, Prof. Alex. Crawford, Ph. D., of New York, was assigned by the Bishop as Lay Missionary in charge, under the authority of the Venerable Archdeacon of the Diocese.

HOT SPRINGS, GARLAND COUNTY.

St. Luke's Parish.

The Rev. Gasherie DeWitt Dowling, Rector; residence, 608 Park Avenue; Richard B. Bancroft, Lay Reader; Morris C. Tombler and Edward M. Penick, Wardens; Richard B. Bancroft, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 112. Number of individuals, 62. Whole number baptised persons, 280. Number of confirmed persons last report, 140. Number of confirmed persons this report, 213. Number communicating during the year, 157. Baptisms—Infants, 17; adults, 6; confirmations, 26; marriages, 5; burials, 9. Sunday School—Teachers, 7; pupils, 70. Total, 77. Public Services—On Sunday,

91; on other days, 36; Holy Communion celebrated, 25; sittings in the church free, 300.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contribution.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$44.30; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$2,151.18; paid on new heating plant, \$350; miscellaneous repairs, \$227.14. Total, \$2,772.62. Diocesan—Assessment, \$200; Diocesan Missions, \$40; aged and infirm Clergy, \$10; Arkansas Interdenominational Sunday School Association, \$25; Hot Springs Sunday School Association, \$10. Total, \$285. Missions—General, \$60; Woman's Auxiliary, united offering, \$11.52; Woman's Auxiliary, General Missions, \$2.45. Total \$73.97. Total for all objects, \$3,131.59.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000; value of church building, \$17,000; other Parish property, \$5,800. Total value of all Parish property, \$32,800.

A "Rectory Building Fund" has been started by the Rectory Guild, and amounts at this date to \$150.

JONESBORO, CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.

St. Mark's Mission.

The Rev. John Cyril France, Missionary; residence, Jonesboro; Mrs. W. P. Smith, Treasurer.

Number of families, 14. Number of individuals, 11. Whole number baptised persons, 53. Number of confirmed persons last report, 34. Number of confirmed persons this report, 40. Number communicating during the year, 34. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 2; confirmations, 6; marriages, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 38. Total, 42. Public Services—On Sunday, 90; on other days, 54; Holy Communion celebrated, 4; sittings in the church free, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$250. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10. Missions—General, \$3; University of the South, \$1. Total for all objects, \$264.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$800; value of church building, \$1,000; value of Rectory, \$1,200; other Parish property, \$300. Total value of all Parish property, \$3,300.

LAKE VILLAGE, CHICOT COUNTY.

Emanuel Mission.

The Rev. J. W. Thompson, Minister; residence, Monticello; J. D. Miles, Treasurer.

Number of families, 22. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number baptised persons, 80. Number of confirmed persons last report, 19. Number of confirmed persons this report, 20. Confirmations, 1; burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 12. Total, 14. Public Services—On Sunday, 8; on other days, 4; Holy Communion celebrated, 5; sittings in the church free, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$200. Diocesan—Assessment, \$20; Diocesan Missions, \$13.17. Missions—General, \$8.78. Total for all objects, \$241.95.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of church building, \$800. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,800.

The Rev. J. W. Barker, D. D., resigned in October, 1902, and was succeeded in the work in January, 1903, by the Rev. J. W. Thompson. There is ample land for a Rectory and an earnest hope that one may be built.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

St. Philip's Mission.

The Rev. William Allen Fair, Minister; residence, 215 West Thirteenth street, Little Rock; A. W. Cole and John H. Buchanan, Wardens; Lawrence Ratclif May, Clerk; Dumas Ingills Spight, Treasurer.

Number of families, 20. Number of individuals, 48. Whole number baptised persons, 83. Number of confirmed persons last report, 75. Number of confirmed persons this report, 56. Number communicating during the year, 38. Baptisms—Infants, 9; adults, 4; confirmations, 16; marriages, 2; burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 35. Total, 40. Public Services—On Sunday, 40; on other days, 50; Holy Communion celebrated, 15; sittings in the church free, 150.

Services supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Alms, Sunday School and Church, total for last seven months to May 10, \$127.40; current expenses (including expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance),

\$78.58. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15; aged and infirm Clergy, \$1.50. Missions—General, \$9; Foreign, Sunday School Easter offering for Cuba and Brazil, \$8; Domestic, St. John's Mission, Albuquerque, New Mexico, \$1; colored people, St. Philip's Mission, Indianapolis, Ind., \$1. Total for all objects, \$114.08. Leaving balance of \$12.21 in Sunday School treasury, and \$1.11 in Church treasury.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of church building, \$500; value of Rectory, \$300. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,800.

The above report is for the last seven months of the year, ending May 10, 1903, during which time Rev. Wm. Allen Fair has been in charge. There is no record of previous services to be found for the first five months of the year to refer to for statistics. The work among the colored people of Little Rock was in a very backward condition, but the prospect is now more encouraging. We are in great need of a new church building in a more suitable location. The colored people of the Parish in general are not liberal contributors. The Minister's salary has to be met by an appropriation of \$600 from the Church Commission for work among colored people. We are about to buy a new site and to build a new church, which we trust will be the means of getting them in the way of contributing more liberally toward the support of Parish work.

LITTLE ROCK. PULASKI COUNTY.

Christ Parish.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector; residence, 509 Scott Street; the Rev. Dr. Newton Hockensmith, Assistant; Maj. Richard H. Parham and Wm. Phillips William, Lay Readers; Dr. Wm. A. Cantrell and Jno. W. Goodwin, Wardens; Reyburn Peay, Clerk; H. C. Rather, Treasurer.

Number of families, 375. Number of individuals, 100. Whole number baptised persons, 1,000. Number of confirmed persons last report, 615. Number of confirmed persons this report, 630. Number communicating during the year, 400. Baptisms—Infants, 24; adults, 9; confirmations, 38; marriages, 17; burials, 20. Sunday School—Teachers, 46; pupils, 325. Total, 371. Public Services—On Sunday, 110; on other days, 125; Holy Communion celebrated, 50; sittings in the church free, assigned, rented, 750.

Services are supported by pew rents, by annual subscriptions, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$180.25; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$4,000; payment of

debts and other expenses not included in the above, \$3,519.90; other Parochial expenses, viz: Daughters of the King, \$1,098.43; Ladies' Aid, \$338.15; St. Cecilia's Guild, \$412.29; Sunday School, \$240.64; St. Paul's Chapel, \$500; Easter offering, \$1,650. Diocesan—Assessment, \$450; Diocesan Missions, \$140; pipe organ valued at \$600 given to the Church at Searcy. Missions—General, \$210; University of the South, \$15; from the Woman's Auxilliary for General Missions and on the deficit, \$89; box sent by Junior Auxilliary, \$25. Total for all objects, \$12,865.66.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$16,000; value of church building, \$60,000; value of Rectory, \$6,000; other Parish property, \$1,500. Total value of all Parish property, \$83,500. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$3,750.

The congregations are growing larger almost each Sunday. Nearly every sitting in the church has been taken. This report shows the largest amount of money ever raised in the Parish in one year. The new organ, costing \$6,000, which was placed in the church last fall, has added much to the attractiveness of the service. St. Paul's Chapel, a Mission of Christ Church, is growing steadily in usefulness. Seven persons were presented for confirmation at the Chapel. Dr. Hockensmith, who has been acting as Lay Reader at St. Paul's Chapel, will be ordained at this Council, which will add much to his usefulness in the work. Mr. Hempstead is still untiring in his good work at St. Paul's. May God continue to bless the work in this large Parish is the constant prayer of the Rector.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

St. Mark's Mission.

Dr. Newton Hockensmith, Lay Reader.

Number of families, 5. Number of individuals, 2. Whole number baptised persons, 20. Number of confirmed persons this report, 10. Baptisms—Infants, 1; confirmations, 2; burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 30. Total, 34. Public Services—On Sunday, 40; on other days, 15.

Services supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$70. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, 2. Missions—General, \$2.64. Total for all objects, \$77.64.

This is an important place of the suburban character. The street railroad is being built to it and beyond. We have had a Sunday School and services there for four or five years, in the schoolhouse. A proposition has been made to donate us three

lots and \$1,000 in cash if we will build a Chapel, with stone foundation and superstructure of brick. This proposition has been duly submitted by a citizen who is not a communicant in our church.

LONOKE, LONOKE COUNTY.

St. Mark's Mission.

Dr. Newton Hockensmith, Missionary; J. D. Shute, Warden; Duff Green, Clerk; J. D. Shute, Treasurer.

Number of individuals, 11. Whole number baptised persons, 7. Number of confirmed persons last report, 7. Number of confirmed persons this report, 7. Public Services—On Sunday, 4; on other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated, 2.

Services supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$4.55. Missions—General, \$5.55. Total for all objects, \$65.10.

MAMMOTH SPRING, FULTON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Parish.

P. P. B. Hynson and E. C. Bellamy, Wardens.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 2. Whole number baptised persons, 20. Number of confirmed persons last report, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 12. Number communicating during the year, 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 10; on other days, 4; Holy Communion celebrated, 4; sittings in the church free, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$4; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$95.80. Diocesan—Assessment, \$3. Total for all objects, \$102.80.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of church building, \$1,500; value of Rectory, \$700. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.

MARIANNA, LEE COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Parish.

The Rev. Jos. J. Cornish, Rector; residence, Marianna; Dudley S. Clark, Lay Reader; Dudley S. Clark and Jos. F. Rankin, Wardens; John M. Daggett, Clerk; F. Noel Burke, Treasurer.

Number of families, 21. Number of individuals, 9. Whole number baptised persons, 80. Number of confirmed persons last report, 54. Number of confirmed persons this report, 48. Number communicating during the year, 45. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 2; confirmations, 1; burials, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 25. Total, 30. Public Services—On Sunday, 88; on other days, 25; Holy Communion celebrated, 25; sittings in church free, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$572.78; payment of debts, \$224; other Parochial expenses, viz: Incidental, 28.85. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50; Diocesan Missions, \$20; aged and infirm Clergy, \$1. Missions—General, \$30; University of the South, \$4.20. Total for all objects, \$930.83.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500; value of church building, \$2,500; value of Rectory, \$2,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$5,000.

MEDFORD, DESHA COUNTY.

St. Mary's Mission.

The Rev. J. W. Thompson, Missionary; residence, Monticello.

Number of families, 2. Whole number baptised persons, 8. Number of confirmed persons last report, 2. Number of confirmed persons this report, 2. Public Services—On Sunday, 4.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

MENA, POLK COUNTY.

Christ Mission.

August Michael Treschow. B. A., Missionary; residence, the Rectory, Mena; James D. Shaver, Treasurer.

Number of families, 32. Number of individuals, 3. Whole number baptised persons, 83. Number of confirmed persons last report, 34. Number of confirmed persons this report, 60. Number communicating during the year, 40. Baptisms—Infants, 6; adults, 13; confirmations, 29; burials, 7. Sunday School—Teachers, 5; pupils, 34. Total, 39. Public Services—On Sunday, 63; on other days, 12; Holy Communion celebrated, 3.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$200. Diocesan—Assessment, \$25; Diocesan Missions, \$6.95;

Lenten mite box offerings, Sunday School, \$1.88. Missions—General, \$9.41. Total for all objects, \$243.24.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200; value of church building, \$750; value of Rectory, \$500. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,450.

MONTICELLO, DREW COUNTY.

St. Mary's Mission.

The Rev. James W. Thompson, Minister; residence, Monticello. Number of families, 5. Number of individuals, 8. Whole number baptised persons, 27. Number of confirmed persons last report, 11. Number of confirmed persons this report, 11. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10. Total, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, 19; on other days, 8; Holy Communion celebrated, 2; sittings in the church free, 45.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15, permanent Episcopate fund, \$2.76. Missions—General, \$1.84. Total for all objects, \$19.60.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$600; value of church building, \$600. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,200.

MORRILTON, CONWAY COUNTY.

St. Agnes Parish.

Sylvester Read McAlpin, Lay Reader; Dr. W. M. Scarborough and W. E. DeLong, Wardens; W. H. Ashley, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number baptised persons, 18. Number of confirmed persons last report, 16. Number of confirmed persons this report, 13. Number communicating during the year, 8. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 7. Total, 9. Public Services—On Sunday, 77; on other days, 48; Holy Communion celebrated, 7; sittings in the church free, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$116.45; other Parochial expenses, viz: Taxes for 1902 on Rectory, \$6.23; entertainment of Ministers, \$13.25; repairs, \$9.10. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$5. Missions—General, \$7.50. Total for all objects, \$167.50.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), value of church building, \$1,300; value of Rectory, \$400; other Parish property, \$108. Total value of all Parish property, \$2,108.

NASHVILLE. HOWARD COUNTY.

Church of the Redeemer Parish.

The Rev. A. Crawford, Missionary; residence, Hope; W. C. Rodgers, Lay Reader and Warden.

Number of families, 1. Number of individuals, 5. Whole number baptised persons, 8. Number of confirmed persons last report, 5. Number of confirmed persons this report, 5. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10. Total, 12. Public Services—On Sunday, occasional; on other days, 20; Holy Communion celebrated, 3; sittings in the church free, 100.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of church building, \$750; other Parish property, organ, pews, etc., \$100. Total value of all Parish property, \$950.

Within the last year we have improved the interior of the church building to the extent of about \$50 or more. The building is in first-class repair, is well painted and supported by brick pillars. The roof is nearly new, and everything is substantial. We contemplate other interior improvements. We have only one male communicant, but some faithful and zealous ladies. Have a faithful little Sunday School and have about \$30 in the Sunday School Treasury. Have two ready for confirmation.

NEWPORT. JACKSON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, S. T. D., Minister; residence, Newport; Lancelot Minor and Gustave Jones, Wardens; J. S. Wilmans, Clerk; J. R. Cox, Treasurer.

Number of families, 47. Number of individuals, 25. Whole number baptised persons, 128. Number of confirmed persons last report, 92. Number of confirmed persons this report, 92. Number communicating during the year, 66. Baptisms—Infants, 1; marriages, 2; burials, 4. Sunday School—Teachers, 10; pupils, 60. Total, 70. Public Services—On Sunday, 35; on other days, 76; Holy Communion celebrated, 28; sittings in the church free, 125.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Communion alms, \$37.95; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$683.76; Sunday School, \$20.28. Diocesan—Assessment, \$100; Diocesan Missions, \$17.58; aged and infirm Clergy, \$10. Missions—General, \$25.37; University of the South, \$1; other objects without the Diocese, viz: General Clergy relief, \$6.45; Sunday School Lent offering, general missions, \$32. Total for all objects, \$934.39.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000; value of church building, \$500; value of Rectory, \$1,500. Total value of all Parish property, \$3,000.

Rev. Dr. Geo. B. Norton began service as Minister in charge October 15, 1902. No regular services had been held before that time during the year. The public offerings, \$135.19; Guild dues, \$79.15; Sewing Guild, \$137.80. Sunday School offerings, \$31.76. Easter offering (for the new church), \$2,722.15. Plans are progressing for the new church, which it is hoped will be built during the summer. Pledges toward building fund, payable annually for five years, amount to \$2,095.

OSCEOLA, MISSISSIPPI COUNTY.

Calvary Mission.

The Rev. J. C. France, Lay Reader; residence, Jonesboro.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 1. Whole number baptised persons, 9. Number of confirmations last report, 8. Number of confirmations this report, 7.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$50.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200.

The foundation for a Chapel is now laid and the work is progressing rapidly. The Chapel will cost about \$1,400, and will be completed soon.

PARAGOULD, CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.

Holy Communion Mission.

The Rev. J. C. France, Rector; residence, Jonesboro; Mr. W. M. Greene, Lay Reader and Warden; W. C. Greene, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 5. Number of individuals, 1. Whole number baptised persons, 20. Number of confirmed persons last report,

12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 6. Number communicating during the year, 6. Public Services—On Sunday, 2; on other days, 4.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$25. Diocesan Missions, \$3.60. Missions—General, \$2.40. Total for all objects, \$31.

PINE BLUFF, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Trinity Parish.

The Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, Rector; residence, the Rectory, 802 West Second avenue; Horatio Riley, Lay Reader; Nichols B. Trulock and Robt. E. Lee, Wardens; Frank B. Tomblinson, Clerk; R. E. Lee, Treasurer.

Number of families, 178. Number of individuals, 70. Whole number baptised persons, 505. Number of confirmed persons last report, 320. Number of confirmed persons this report, 350. Number communicating during the year, 315. Baptisms—Infants, 22; adults, 20; confirmations, 26; marriages, 9; burials, 12. Sunday School—Teachers, 15; pupils, 175. Total, 190. Public Services—On Sunday, 120; on other days, 125; Holy Communion celebrated, 35; sittings in the church free, 400.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$128.25; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$2,500; payment of debts, \$500; other Parochial expenses, viz: Organ voiced and tuned, \$50; furniture in Rectory, \$300. Diocesan—Assessment, \$250; Diocesan Missions, \$178; other objects within the Diocese, viz: One box sent to Winslow at Christmas time, valued \$25. Missions—General, \$65; Domestic, \$25; American Church Building Fund, \$20; University of the South, \$15; Easter offering for Rectory fund, \$450. Total for all objects, \$4,506.25.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$6,000; value of church building, \$17,500; value of Rectory, \$6,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$29,500. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,500.

Trinity Church Association has raised in the past year \$237, expended \$214.15, balance on hand, \$22.85. The Young Ladies' Guild raised \$200. The Daughters of the King have increased ten in number, and the work done by this most important organization

cannot be expressed in words. The debt on the Rectory has been reduced to \$1,500. The choir is the best the Parish has ever had. The work in the Parish is most encouraging.

POCAHONTAS, RANDOLPH COUNTY.

Ascension Mission.

Number of families, 6. Number of individuals, 7. Whole number baptised persons, 19. Number of confirmed persons last report, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 12. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 30. Total, 34. Public Services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 12; Holy Communion celebrated, 2; sittings in the church free, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$10; payment of debts, \$400. Missions—General, \$4.70. Total for all objects, \$414.70.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100; value of church building, \$600. Total value of all Parish property, \$700.

PRESCOTT, NEVADA COUNTY.

St. James's Mission.

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Ph. D., Lay Missionary; residence, Hope; E. R. Armistead, M. D., Warden; W. R. Bathurst, M. D., Clerk; Chas. A. Bemis, Treasurer.

Number of families, 7. Whole number baptised persons, 10. Number of confirmed persons last report, 8. Number of confirmed persons this report, 8. Number communicating during the year, 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 20; on other days, 7; Holy Communion celebrated, 3; sittings in the church free, 150.

Services are supported by endowment, by pew rents, by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$30. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10. Total for all objects, \$40.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300; value of church building, \$700. Total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Ph. D., conducts services here twice a month, but the delay of placing electric lights and other necessary

improvements has prevented an aggressive advancement of the Master's work. These improvements will soon be done and St. James's Mission will then be renewed in every way. Archdeacon Williams has had services over a month since beginning of the year 1903.

ROGERS, BENTON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Mission.

Number of families, 3. Whole number baptised persons, 16. Number of confirmed persons last report, 7. Number of confirmed persons this report, 4.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Diocesan Missions, \$2.85. Missions—General, \$1.90. Total for all objects, \$4.75.

SEARCY, WHITE COUNTY.

St. Thomas's Mission.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, LL. D., up to October 15, 1902, Missionary; T. B. Paschall, Warden; Thos. C. Jones, Clerk; W. C. Dugan, Treasurer.

Number of families, 9. Whole number baptised persons, 31. Number of confirmed persons last report, 23. Number of confirmed persons this report, 21. Number communicating during the year, 21. Public Services—On Sunday, 17; on other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated, 6; sittings in the church free, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$3.55; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$10.25.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250; value of church building, \$3,000; other Parish property, organ and furniture, \$1,500. Total value of all Parish property, \$4,750. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$235.

We owe \$200 on leaded glass windows (less \$50 pledged and collectible), and \$85 balance on erecting organ, donated by Christ Church, Little Rock. Church building is not finished, nor has fence been replaced since fire; also some of the furniture, including altar rail, credence shelf, hymn board and Communion service, has not been replaced since chapel burned.

SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY.

Grace Mission.

Rev. August Michael Treschow, B. A., Missionary; residence, Mena, Polk County.

Number of families, 9. Number of individuals, 1. Whole number baptised persons, 18. Number of confirmed persons last report, 13. Number of confirmed persons this report, 20. Number communicating during the year, 15. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 1. Public Services—On other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated, 2.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$96. Diöcesan—Assessment, \$25; Diöcesan Missions, \$4.17. Missions—General, \$2.78. Total for all objects, \$127.95.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

VAN BUREN, CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Trinity Parish.

The Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, Rector; residence, Van Buren; Sidney Pernot and Henry Taber, Wardens; Frank Kerr, Clerk; Charles Pape, Treasurer.

Number of families, 79. Number of individuals, 24. Whole number baptised persons, 224. Number of confirmed persons last report, 132. Number of confirmed persons this report, 133. Number communicating during the year, 110. Baptisms—Infants, 15; adults, 3; marriages, 2; burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 11; pupils, 85. Total, 96. Public Services—On Sunday, 121; on other days, 81; Holy Communion celebrated, 65; sittings in the church free, 250.

Services are supported by endowment, by annual subscription, and by voluntary contributions.

The Bishop's visitation does not come until Trinity Sunday, June 7, 1903; therefore, confirmations will appear in next year's report.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$39.81; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$855.09; payment of debts, \$290.24; Sunday School offering for the year, \$56.14; Trinity Guild, \$235.70; Woman's Auxilliary, united offering, \$5.28; general apportionment, \$10; St. Margaret's, Jacksonville, Fla., \$1; Ruston, La., \$3; Sapulpa, I. T., \$2; Daughters of the King, \$15. Diöcesan—Assessment, \$100; Diöcesan Missions, \$40; aged and infirm Clergy, \$6.50; for Parish House, by Miss Eno, \$1,000. Missions—General,

\$60; aged and infirm Clergy—General, \$2.50; University of the South, \$2.50; for the Jews, \$1.25; Sunday School Lenten offering, \$35.31.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000; value of church building, \$2,500; value of Rectory, \$2,500; endowments or invested funds amount to, \$1,000. Total value of all Parish property, \$18,000. Total indebtedness of the Parish, \$50.

The contract has been let for a splendid and commodious Parish room—23x50 feet, to cost \$1,000; made possible by the timely and munificent gift of Miss Clara B. Eno. This will put the Parish upon a much more solid footing, as we shall have a place for the Sunday School to meet—for the choir to robe and for all the Guilds to conduct their business, and a place for entertainments, receptions, etc. We thank God for his goodness to us in placing this thought in Miss Eno's mind, to thus help forward in such a splendid way the work in this part of his vineyard. We have organized two new Guilds. St. Agnes's Guild was organized about two months ago, and is composed of young ladies who are taking up the work in earnest and are destined to be a great help in the Parish. We have nearly, if not quite, fifteen members in this Guild. The other is the Junior Chapter of the Daughters of the King, with seven or eight members. I don't think a more faithful, earnest, devoted Chapter of the Junior Daughters can be found in the whole Church. The Ladies' Guild and the Daughters of the King have done most loyal and faithful work—and I am glad to give to all the well merited praise they deserve. The whole amount of money raised by the Ladies' Guild is \$235.70; Trinity Guild expenses, \$150.22; balance on hand, \$85.68. The whole amount raised by the Auxiliary, \$21.28; the whole amount by the Daughters of the King, \$15 (which must be remembered is not a money-making society, but is for spiritual work alone).

WASHINGTON, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

Grace Mission.

The Ven. W. D. Williams, D. D.; residence, 1015 Commerce Street, Little Rock. Prof. Alex. Crawford, Ph. D., Lay Missionary; Wm. S. Eakin, Lay Reader; Wm. S. Eakin and C. S. Ratcliff, Wardens; Frida Jagersfeld, Treasurer.

Number of families, 7. Number of individuals, 6. Whole number baptised persons, 26. Number of confirmed persons last report, 18. Number of confirmed persons this report, 18. Burials, 1. Public Services—On Sunday, 11; on other days, 16; Holy Communion celebrated, 1; sittings in the church free, 160.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms given Archdeacon Williams, \$1.15; current expenses (including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), \$47.40; paid about \$80 for new roof and other improvements on church building. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$3.20; permanent Episcopate fund, \$10. Missions—General, \$10. Total for all objects, \$156.75.

Parish property—Value of church building, \$500; endowments or invested funds amount to, \$86. Total value of all Parish property, \$5.86.

Our Parish is small in number of communicants, but in healthy condition. Dr. A. Crawford, Lay Missionary, is doing a noble work, with promising good results. We have collected \$50 on sale of old Rectory and will collect balance when it falls due. We have put a splendid new roof on the church building, at a cost of about \$80, and made other improvements. The Sunday School has on hand a surplus fund of \$9.71. The Lenten and Easter offering, amounting to \$5.63, was sent by vote of Parish to assist in the work of the Sisters of St. Mary in Tennessee Mountains. The \$10 collected from the Pyramids was sent to G. C. Thomas, Treasurer, at New York, to be divided among Foreign and Domestic Missions.

WINSLOW, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Stephen's Mission.

The Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, Rector; residence, Van Buren; Frederick D. Gregg, Lay Reader; Frederick D. Gregg and Enoch H. Graube, Wardens; George Forest Maitland, Clerk; Albert Dunlap, Treasurer.

*Number of families, in which one or more communicants, 17. Number of individuals, in families of communicants, 57. Whole number Baptised persons, 60. Number of confirmed persons last report, 30. Number of confirmed persons this report, 30. Baptisms—Infants, 3. Sunday School—Teachers, 4; pupils, 79. Public Services—On Sunday, 66; on other days, 24; Holy Communion celebrated, 5; sittings in the church free, 100.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

*Ten additional families, in which are no communicants—but attend, are interested in the church and no other.

The Bishop has not made his annual visitation to this Parish.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms and offerings to pay Minister's traveling expenses, \$2.20 per month; current expenses

(including Minister's salary and expenses of music, lighting, heating, sexton and insurance), for five months, \$41, paid by the Missionary Board. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$2. Missions—General, \$3.

Parish property—Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$150; value of church building, \$250; other Parish property, \$300. Total value of all Parish property, \$700.

The Bishop has most kindly donated \$250 for the improvement of St. Stephen's Church, at Winslow. The contract has been let to a good workman, and the work will be completed in the near future. My incumbency covers only five months; and of course not being on the ground makes it harder to push the work as I should like. I held a Mission in the Parish in November, lasting six days, two services a day, and had good congregations, and considerable interest and enthusiasm was evinced in the church, marking an era in the history of her existence at that point. One good result of the mission was the organizing of a Chapter of the Daughters of the King, with nine members. This society always, or nearly always, is faithful to its vows and we expect fine results from it in the future.

WYNNE, CROSS COUNTY.

St. John's Mission.

The Rev. J. J. Cornish, Missionary; residence, Marianna; Mr. Bruce Mulkey, Lay Reader.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 2. Whole number baptised persons, 12. Number of confirmed persons last report, 13. Number of confirmed persons this report, 11. Number communicating during the year, 11. Baptisms—Adults, 1; confirmations, 1. Sunday School—Teachers, 2; pupils, 6. Total, 8. Public Services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated, 9.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$12.65. Diocesan—Assessment, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$7.54. Total for all objects, \$15.40.

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PARISHES.	Lay Readers.	Number of Families.	Number of Individuals.	Whole Number Baptized Persons.	Number of Confirmed Persons—Last Report.	Number of Confirmed Persons—This Report.	Baptisms—Infants.	Baptisms—Adults.	Baptisms—Total.	Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday School Teachers.	Sunday School Pupils.	Sunday School—Total.	Public Services on Sunday.	Public Services on Other Days.	Holy Communion Celebrated.	Number of Sittings in Church.	Free, Assigned, Rented.*	Services Supported by.†
Batesville, St. Paul's.....	1	45	25	130	100	100	4	2	6	10	1	2	6	60	69	82	80	30	250	a	ch
Camden, St. John's.....	1	25	16	86	54	51	2	1	3	...	...	...	4	24	28	43	35	12	180	a	ch
Eureka Springs, St. James's.....	1	24	10	51	37	34	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	16	19	90	45	47	100	a	ch
Fayetteville, St. Paul's.....	1	58	32	175	140	148	15	4	19	8	4	6	4	50	54	30	30	30	250	a	ch
Forrest City, Good Shepherd.....	1	13	8	79	47	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	45	49	52	52	12	250	a	ch
Fort Smith, St. John's.....	1	91	97	500	398	398	19	10	29	13	6	4	18	150	159	104	100	60	300	a	ch
Helena, St. John's.....	1	125	25	372	292	292	19	10	29	13	6	4	18	143	161	108	100	85	530	ab	ch
Hope, St. Mark's.....	1	22	9	65	40	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	20	25	72	40	10	75	a	ch
Hot Springs, St. Luke's.....	1	112	62	280	140	213	17	6	23	26	5	9	7	70	77	91	36	25	300	a	ch
Little Rock, Christ Church.....	1	375	100	1,000	615	630	24	9	33	38	17	20	46	325	371	110	125	50	750	abc	ch
Little Rock, Trinity Cathedral.....	1	150	300	850	150	250	25	10	35	18	12	15	10	210	220	104	60	72	450	a	ch
Mannoth Spring, St. Andrew's.....	1	3	2	20	12	12	48	2	2	1	...	1	5	25	30	88	25	25	120	a	ch
Marianna, St. Andrew's.....	1	21	9	80	54	54	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	10	12	77	48	7	150	a	ch
Morrilton, St. Agnes's.....	1	3	10	18	16	16	5	...	...	...	...	...	2	7	10	35	20	3	100	a	ch
Nashville, Redeemer's.....	1	1	5	8	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	60	70	35	76	28	125	a	ch
Newport, St. Paul's.....	1	47	25	128	92	92	1	20	42	23	9	4	15	175	190	120	125	35	400	ab	ch
Pine Bluff, Trinity.....	1	178	70	505	320	350	133	15	3	18	2	2	11	85	96	121	81	65	250	a	ch
Van Buren, Trinity.....	1	79	24	224	132	132	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	a	ch
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.																					
Arkansas City, St. Clement's.....	1	5	4	24	4	4	...	...	...	9	...	...	3	12	15	16	5	3	100	a	ch
Brinkley, St. Luke's.....	1	19	38	38	33	37	4	1	3	5	4	...	2	10	12	10	3	3	100	a	ch
Jonesboro, St. Mark's.....	1	14	11	53	34	40	3	3	6	6	...	...	2	38	42	90	54	4	150	a	ch
Little Rock, St. Philip's.....	1	20	48	83	75	86	9	4	13	16	1	2	5	35	40	20	50	15	150	a	ch
Prescott, St. James's.....	1	7	10	10	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	3	3	150	a	ch
Searcy, St. Thomas's.....	1	9	9	31	23	20	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	10	6	150	a	ch
Siloam Springs, Grace.....	1	9	1	18	13	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	2	...	...	a	ch
Washington, Grace.....	1	7	6	26	18	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	16	1	100	a	ch

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UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.	Lay Readers.	Number of Families.	Number of Individuals.	Whole Number Baptized Persons.	Number of Confirmed Persons—Last Report.	Number of Confirmed Persons—This Report.	Baptisms—Infants.	Baptisms—Adults.	Baptisms—Total.	Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday School Teachers.	Sunday School Pupils.	Sunday School—Total.	Public Services on Sunday.	Public Services on Other Days.	Holy Communion Celebrated.	Number of Sit-tings in Church.	Free, Assigned,* Rented,†	Services Supported by.†
Argenta, St. Luke's	1	5	10	15		5				10			1	30	31	3	1				h
Baring Cross, St. Barnabas's	1	10	33	50		9											16	5			
Berryville, St. John's	1	3	4	15		11											6	4		a	h
Booneville, Ascension	1	6	19	28		13							4	38	42	8					h
Clarendon, Christ	1	4	11	19		9										8		1	100	a	h
Conway, St. Peter's	1	3	4	8		4													150	a	h
Dardanelle, St. Paul's	1	4	11	11		11										8	3				h
Dee Arc, St. James's	1	6	11	11		11															h
Devall's Bluff, All Saints	1	4	12	12		12										8					h
Dumas, Grace	1	3	3	12		12															h
El Dorado	1	10	7	24		18										14	1	2		a	h
Foreman, St. Barnabas's	1	4	6	15		15										17	1	15	5		
Fulton, Emanuel	2	15	33	30		22										12	16	6			
Harrison, St. John's	1	6	10	80		19										14	8	4	5		
Lake Village, Immanuel	1	5	22	20		10										34	40	15	100	a	h
Little Rock, St. Mark's	1	11	11	20		10										1	2				
Louise, St. Mark's	1	2	8	7		7										4	10	2			h
Mellford, St. Mary's	1	2	8	83		2										39	63	3			
Men, Christ	1	22	33	34		6										12	3	2		a	h
Monticello, St. Mary's	1	5	8	27		11										39	19	8	45		
Oceola, Calvary	1	4	1	9		8										12	8	3			h
Paragould, Holy Communion	1	5	1	20		12										2	4	2			h
Pocahontas, Ascension	1	6	1	19		16										34	6	12	150	a	h
Rogers, St. Andrew's	1	3	6	16		7										35	66	24	100	a	h
Winslow, St. Stephen's	1	17	7	60		30										8	6	9			h
Wynne, St. John's	1	4	2	12		13										8	6	16			h
Total	27	1,647	1,008	5,451	\$3,002	3,390	182	96	221	213	61	90	210	1,822	2,052	1,807	1,376	642		6,521	

* (a) Free, (b) Assigned, (c) Rented.

† (d) Endowment, (e) Few Rents, (f) Annual Subscriptions, (g) Weekly Envelope System, (h) Voluntary Contributions.

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PARISHES.	Parochial— Communion Alms.	Parochial— Current Expenses.	Parochial— Payment of Debts.	Parochial— Other Expenses.	Diocesan— Assessment.	Diocesan— Missions.	Diocesan— Permanent Episcopate Fund.	Diocesan— Aged and Infirm Clergy.	Diocesan— Other Objects.	Missions—General.	Missions—Foreign.	Missions—Domestic.	Theological Depart- ment University of the South.	Other Objects With- out the Diocese.	Total.
Batesville, St. Paul's	\$ 4 55	954 38		170 63	100 00	\$ 40 00	\$ 4 00	\$15 50	\$ 23 68	\$ 40 00	\$ 40 00	\$20 00	\$ 4 00	\$ 94 10	1,462 84
Camden, St. John's	8 00	672 88		585 00	75 00	24 00	4 50	3 45		36 00				3 40	1,413 18
Eureka Springs, St. James's		579 27		282 71	40 00	11 75									667 18
Fayetteville, St. Paul's	80 00	461 00													541 00
Forrest City, Good Shepherd	56 70	463 75								31 30			5 38	9 00	636 13
Fort Smith, St. John's		1,501 10	500 00			20 00				23 50					3,415 45
Heena, St. John's	36 90	2,547 27		1,138 47	175 00	60 53				150 00					4,124 95
Hope, St. Mark's		470 61		697 40	250 00	33 45	20 55	31 85		35 00		90 00	19 15	158 33	4,124 08
Hot Springs, St. Luke's	44 30	2,151 18		57 02	30 00	40 00		5 00		80 00					3,131 59
Little Rock, Christ Church	180 25	4,000 00		577 14	200 00	40 00		10 00					13 97		631 08
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.	110 00	2,640 39		7,756 41	450 00	140 00				210 00	10 00		15 00	114 00	13,465 66
Mammoth Sp., St. Andrew's	4 00	95 80		771 17	175 00	64 47		25 00		64 48			25 00	50 00	3,955 51
Marianus, St. Andrew's		572 78	224 00	28 85	50 00	20 00		1 00		30 00			4 20		102 80
Morrilton, St. Agnes's		116 45		28 58	10 00	5 00				7 50					930 83
Nashville, Redeemer					10 00										167 53
Newport, St. Paul's	37 95	683 76		30 28	100 00	17 58		10 00		25 37			1 00	38 45	954 39
Pine Bluff, Trinity	128 25	2,500 00	500 00	800 00	250 00	178 00			25 00	65 00		25 00	15 00	20 00	4,506 25
Van Buren, Trinity	38 81	855 09	290 24	328 12	100 00	40 00	6 50	6 50		60 00			2 50	30 06	1,761 32
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.															
Arkansas City, St. Clement's					10 00	9 00				6 00					25 00
Brinkley, St. Luke's		49 40			20 00	1 30				1 90					79 60
Jonesboro, St. Mark's		250 00			15 00					3 00			1 00		264 00
Little Rock, St. Philip's	127 40	78 58			15 00			1 50		9 00				10 00	241 48
Prescott, St. James's		30 00			10 00										40 00
Searcy, St. Thomas's	355 00	1,025 00													1,380 00
Siloam Springs, Grace		96 00			25 00	4 17				2 78					127 95
Washington, Grace	1 15	47 40		80 00	5 00	3 20	10 00			10 00					156 75

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORT.—Continued.

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.																Total.
	Parochial— Communion Alms.	Parochial— Current Expenses.	Parochial— Payment of Debts.	Parochial— Other Expenses.	Diocesan— Assessment.	Diocesan—Missions.	Diocesan— Episcopal Fund.	Diocesan— Aged and Infirm Clergy.	Diocesan— Other Objects.	Missions—General.	Missions—Foreign.	Missions—Domestic.	Theological Depart- ment University of the South.	Other Objects With- out the Diocese.		
Baring Cross, St. Barnabas's	\$	10 00	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	12 00	
Berryville, St. John's		30 00			4 00	3 78				3 67					43 45	
Booneville, Ascension	4 00	25 00			5 00	5 40		90 00		3 60					43 90	
Clarendon, Christ																
Conway, St. Peters					5 00	1 50				1 00					7 50	
Dardanelle, St. Paul's																
Des Arc, St. James's																
Devall's Bluff, All Saints					2 00	4 10									6 10	
Dumas, Grace																
El Dorado						4 30									4 30	
Foreman, St. Barnabas's		100 00		50 00	2 00	4 60									6 60	
Fulton, Emanuel		30 00			10 00	7 14			4 41	19 50					182 05	
Harrison, St. John's		60 00			5 00	2 00				3 00					40 00	
Lake Village, Immanuel		200 00			10 00	7 20				10 80					88 00	
Little Rock, St. Mark's		70 00			20 00	8 78				13 17					241 95	
Lonoke, St. Mark's		50 00			5 00	5 55				5 55					17 64	
Medford, St. Mary's					5 00	4 55				2 64					65 10	
Monticello, St. Mary's																
Mena, Christ		200 00			15 00	2 76			1 88	1 84					19 60	
Oscola, Calvary		50 00			25 00	6 95				9 41					243 24	
Paragona, Holy Communion		25 00													50 00	
Pocahontas, Ascension		10 00	400 00			3 60				2 40					31 00	
Rogers, St. Andrew's										4 70					414 70	
Winslow, St. Stephen's	25 40				5 00	2 85				1 90					4 75	
Wynne, St. John's	12 65				2 00	75				3 00					36 40	
Total	\$ 1,297 31	\$ 23,701 89	\$ 1,914 24	\$ 13,121 78	\$ 2,293 00	\$ 884 71	\$ 835 05	\$ 110 70	\$ 713 47	\$ 48 86	\$ 10 00	\$ 133 00	\$ 89 83	\$ 550 31	\$ 45,779 15	

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PARISHES.	Value of all Parish Lands Exclusive of Buildings.	Value of Church Building.	Value of Rectory.	Value of Other Parish Property.	Endowment or Other Invested Funds Amount to.	Total Value of all Parish Property.	Total Indebtedness of Parish.
Batesville, St. Paul's	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,800	\$	\$	\$ 4,800	\$
Camden, St. John's	1,000	8,500	800			5,300	
Eureka Springs, St. James's	1,500	500		500		2,500	
Fayetteville, St. Paul's	2,000	4,000	3,000		600	9,600	
Forrest City, Good Shepherd	1,800	3,000	800	250		5,850	
Fort Smith, St. John's	5,000	20,000	3,000			28,000	
Helena, St. John's	3,000	30,000	3,500	3,600		40,100	1,500
Hope, St. Mark's	800		900	800	1,085	3,085	
Hot Springs, St. Luke's	10,000	17,000		5,000		32,000	
Little Rock, Christ Church	16,000	60,000	6,000	1,500		83,500	8,750
Little Rock, Trinity Cathed'l	10,000	25,000	3,000			38,000	
Mammoth Sp'g, St. Andrew's	300	1,500	700			2,500	
Marianna, St. Andrew's	500	2,500	2,000			5,000	
Morrilton, St. Agnes's	300	1,300	400			2,100	
Nashville, Redeemer's	100	750		100		950	
Newport, St. Paul's	1,000	500	1,500			3,000	
Pine Bluff, Trinity	6,000	17,500	6,000			29,500	1,500
Van Buren, Trinity	2,000	2,500	2,500		1,000	8,000	50
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.							
Arkansas City, St. Clement's	800	1,000				1,800	
Brinkley, St. Luke's	250	1,000		120		1,370	
Jonesboro, St. Mark's	800	1,000	1,200	300		3,300	
Little Rock, St. Philip's	1,000	500	300			1,800	
Prescott, St. James's	300	700				1,000	
Searcy, St. Thomas's	250	3,000		1,500		4,750	235
Siloam Springs, Grace							
Washington, Grace		500		86		586	
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.							
Baring Cross, St. Barnabas's							
Booneville, Ascension	250	750				1,000	
Clarendon, Christ							
Conway, St. Peter's	300	1,000				1,300	
Dardanelle, St. Paul's	100	500	50			650	
Des Arc, St. James's							
Devall's Bluff, All Saints							
Dumas, Grace							
El Dorado	500					500	
Foreman, St. Barnabas's	250	800				1,050	
Lake Village, Immanuel	1,000	800				1,800	
Lonoke, St. Mark's							
Medford, St. Mary's							
Monticello, St. Mary's	800	600				1,400	
Mena, Christ	200	750	500			1,450	
Oseol, Calvary	200					200	
Paragould, Holy Communion							
Pocahontas, Ascension	100	600				700	
Rogers, St. Andrew's							
Winslow, St. Stephen's	150	250	300			700	
Total	\$ 69,150	\$ 205,300	\$ 38,250	\$ 14,164	\$ 2,685	\$ 329,549	\$ 7,085

Missions.

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means apportion the sum of \$2,500 among the several Parishes and Missions as a minimum amount to be raised for missions, to be collected in such manner as each Parish or Mission may determine, and paid quarterly to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions, who shall retain 50 per cent of the amounts so paid for the work in this Diocese, and remit quarterly the remaining 50 per cent to the Treasurer of the General Board at New York.

GENERAL CLERGY RELIEF FUND.—Corporate Title, “Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.”

The general and official society for clerical relief covering the whole Church. Canon 8, Title 3. The General Convention recommends Quinquagesima Sunday for an annual offering from every Church, and that a percentage of the Communion Alms be given to this fund.

Assistant Treasurer and Financial Agent,

REV. ALFRED J. P. MCCLURE

The Church House, 12th and Walnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.



Notice.

The Thirty - Second Annual Council will convene (D. V.) on the second Wednesday in May (11th), 1904, at Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.

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DIOCESAN MISSIONS, on the first Sunday in Lent, and on
Trinity Sunday.

EPISCOPATE FUND, on Septuagesima Sunday, or on Easter
Day.

GENERAL CLERGY RELIEF FUND, on National Thanksgiving
Day, or Quinquagesima Sunday.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, on
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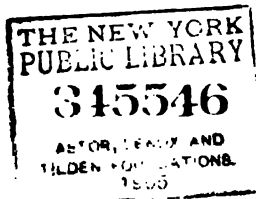
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Registrar.

Mr. FAY HEMPSTEAD, *Masonic Temple, Little Rock.*

Chancellor.

Mr. JOHN T. HICKS, *Little Rock.*

(Term Expires 1906.)

Committee on Judiciary.

The CHANCELLOR, *Ex-Officio President.*

Mr. John Gatling.

Mr. William G. Whipple.

Committee on Education.

Rev. WM. M. BROWN, D. D., *Chairman.*

Ven. Walter K. Lloyd, D. D.

Rev. J. J. Cornish,

Mr. John T. Hicks,

Rev. C. C. Leman,

Mr. Gustave Jones,

Rev. G. B. Norton, D. D.

Mr. John Gatling,

Mr. N. B. Trulock,

Mr. Morris C. Tomblor.

Board of Managers—Diocesan Missions.

The BISHOP, *Ex-Officio President.*

The Archdeacon and Canons of Convocation, Ex-Officio Members.

The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.

The Rev. Walter D. Buckner.

Ven. Wm. M. Jefferis, D. D.

Mr. Nichols B. Trulock, *Secretary.*

Mr. H. C. Rather, The Citizens Bank, Little Rock, *Treasurer.*

Mr. John Gatling.

Canons of Convocation.

Little Rock Convocation—The Rev. Chas. H. Kues.

Helena Convocation—The Rev. Jos. J. Cornish.

Fort Smith Convocation—The Rev. C. C. Leman, M. A.

Batesville Convocation—The Rev. Wm. R. Agate, M. A.

Mena Convocation—The Rev. August M. Treschow, M. A.

Examining Chaplains.

The Rev. WILLIAM M. JEFFERIS, D. D., *Chairman.*

The Rev. Jos. J. Cornish, M. A.

The Rev. J. Percy Robottom, M. A.

The Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D.

The Rev. C. C. Leman.

Preacher of Council Sermon.

Alternate.

Diocesan Architect.

Mr. C. L. Thompson, Arkansas Building, *Little Rock.*

Diocesan Representation in the General Institutions of the Church.

Deputies to the General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D.	Mr. Joseph A. Reeves.
The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
The Rev. Geo. B. Norton, D. D.	Mr. N. B. Trulock.
The Rev. W. D. Buckner.	Mr. John T. Hicks.

Substitutes for Deputies to the General Convention.

In the order of their election.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. J. B. Whaling.	Mr. Gustave Jones.
The Rev. C. B. K. Weed.	Mr. John M. Daggett.
The Rev. Jos. J. Cornish.	Mr. Robt. E. Lee.
The Rev. H. M. Ingham.	Mr. James V. Walker.

Delegates to the Missionary Council.

Appointed at General Convention.

Clerical.	Lay.
The Ven. W. K. Lloyd, D. D.	Mr. P. K. Roots.
The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D.	Mr. John M. Daggett.

Elected by the Council 1902.

The Rev. C. B. K. Weed.	Mr. J. Conway Fitzhugh.
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Trustees of the University of the South.

The Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed.

(Term Expires 1907.)

Mr. John M. Daggett. (1906.) Mr. Walter B. Bruce, M. D. (1907.)

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Very Rev. John Percy Robottom.

(Term Expires 1907.)

The Official List of the Clergy of the Diocese of Arkansas.

Bishop.

The Rt. Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D. D., 1222 Scott Street, Little Rock, Ark.

THE PAROCHIAL CLERGY.

Priests.

The Rev. Charles Harry Lockwood, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Helena, 1888.

The Rev. George Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector of Christ Church, Little Rock, 1896.

The Rev. Isaiah Pinoy Daniels (colored), 1111 West Fourteenth Street, Little Rock. Minister in charge of the Rocky Comfort Missionary District, 1893.

The Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, B. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, 1898.

The Rev. Joshua Brown Whaling, B. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, 1899.

The Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, M. A., Rector of St. John's Church, Fort Smith, 1899.

The Very Rev. John Percy Robottom, M. A., Dean of Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, 1900.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newport, 1900.

The Rev. Canon Joseph Jenkins Cornish, B. D., Rector of the Missionary Parish of St. Andrews, Marianna, Canon of the Helena Convocation, 1901.

The Rev. John Cyril France, Missionary in charge of the Little Rock District, 1901.

The Rev. Canon August Michael Treschow, Missionary in charge of the Mena District, Canon of the Mena Convocation, 1901.

The Rev. Howard M. Ingham, B. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Camden, 1902.

The Rev. Walter Kenyon Lloyd, D. D., Archdeacon of Arkansas, Little Rock, 1903.

The Rev. James Woodward Thompson, Missionary in charge of the Lake Village District, 1902.

The Rev. Canon Clarence Croft Leman, Rector of Trinity Church, Van Buren, Canon of the Fort Smith Convocation, 1903.

The Rev. Canon Charles H. Kues, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, Canon of the Little Rock Convocation, 1904.

The Rev. Canon William R. Agate, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Batesville, Canon of the Batesville Convocation, 1904.

The Rev. J. B. C. Beaubien, Rector of St. James's Church, Eureka Springs, 1904.

The Rev. R. A. Heath, Canonically resident in the Diocese of South Dakota, Minister in charge of the Jonesboro District, 1904.

The Rev. George E. Hancock, Minister in charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, 1904.

The Rev. Wm. M. Jefferis, D. D., Archdeacon of Little Rock, 1904.

The Rev. Canon D. Griffin Gunn, D. D., Assistant General Missionary, Little Rock.

The Rev. J. W. Sykes, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Hope, and in charge of Washington, Nashville and Prescott.

Deacons.

Rev. Alex. Crawford, B. D., Hope, Ark.

Rev. D. L. Ferguson, in charge of St. Phillip's, Little Rock.

Nonparochial Clergy.

The Rev. James Junius Vaulx, M. A., West Palm Beach, Florida, 1876.

The Rev. David Lardner Trimble, B. D., Pine Bluff, Ark., 1883.

The Rev. Daniel Brech Ramsey, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1892.

The Rev. George Walton Flowers, M. A., 1893.

The Rev. Louis Ramon Francis Davis, 1901.

Lay Missionaries.

Mr. J. C. Crouse, Searcy, Ark.

Postulants for Holy Orders.

Walter Barwick LeRoy Bruce, M. D.; Deacon's Orders only; admitted January 1, 1901.

Candidates for Holy Orders.

William E. Williamson, Dorchester, Mass., admitted 1904.

LICENSED LAY READERS.

St. Mark's, Hope, Samuel A. Knighton.

Grace, Washington, William S. Eakin.

Church of the Redeemer, Nashville, W. C. Rodgers.

Paragould, W. M. Greene.

St. James's, Eureka Springs, C. F. Ellis, M. D.

St. John's, Harrison, J. E. Barnard.

St. John's, Helena, Nathaniel F. Bruce.

Christ Church, Little Rock, Richard H. Parham.
 St. John's, Fort Smith, Wm. Armistead Falconer, Edward F. Furner.
 St. Paul's, Batesville, J. Conway Fitzhugh.
 St. Andrew's, Marianna, Dudley S. Clark.
 Church of the Good Shepherd, Forrest City, James Gillam.
 St. John's, Camden, P. Lynch Lee.
 St. Luke's, Hot Springs, R. B. Bancroft.
 St. Mark's, Jonesboro, J. O. McNary.
 Trinity, Pine Bluff, Horatio Riley.
 St. Mark's, Lonoke, S. Stacey.

*PAROCHIAL CHRONOLOGY AND PROPERTY.

(Primary Convention of Diocese August 24, 1871.)

Arkansas City—Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 Batesville—St. Paul's, Organized 1866; Church 1866; Rectory 1901.
 Booneville—Organized 1900; Chapel 1901.
 Brinkley—St. Luke's, Organized 1888; Chapel 1894.
 Camden—St. John's, Organized March 5, 1850; Church, 1853; Rectory 1882; New Church 1887.
 Conway—Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 Dardanelle—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.
 Eureka Springs—St. James's, Organized 1883; Church .
 Fayetteville—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church ; New Church 1883; Rectory 1887.
 Foreman—St. Barnabas's, Organized ; Chapel 1901.
 • Forrest City—Good Shepherd, Organized ; Church 1893; Rectory 1900.
 Fort Smith—St. John's, Organized 1847; Church 1858; Rectory 1885; Present Church 1898.
 Fulton—Lot.
 Gillette—Archangel.
 Helena—St. John's, Organized November 29, 1853; Church 1861; Rectory 1889; Present Church 1898.

Hope—St. Mark's, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1902.
Hot Springs—St. Luke's, Organized 1868; Church 1870; New Church 1888.

Imboden—Organized ; Lot.

Jonesboro—St. Mark's, Organized 1895; Chapel 1900; Rectory 1902.

Lake Village—Immanuel, Organized ; Chapel 1901.

Little Rock—Christ Church, Organized 1839; Present Church 1884-7; Rectory 1874. Trinity, Organized 1873; Cathedral 1884; Deanery . St. Phillip's, Organized 1887; Church 1888; Rectory St. Paul's Organized

Lonoke—St. Mark's, Organized Church

Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's, Organized 1888; Church and Rectory 1889; Parish 1890.

Marianna—St. Andrew's, Organized January 18, 1879; Church 1884; Rectory 1897.

Mena—Christ, Organized 1900; Chapel 1900; Rectory 1901.

Monticello—St. Mary's, Organized ; Chapel 1901.

Morrilton—St. Agnes's, Organized 1888; Church ; Rectory

Nashville—Redeemer, Organized 1887; Church 1887.

Newport—St. Paul's, Organized ; Church 1882; Rectory 1900.

Paragould—Organized ; Lot.

Pine Bluff—Trinity, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.

Prescott—St. James's, Organized ; Church .

Searcy—Trinity, Organized ; Chapel 1900.

Siloam Springs—Grace, Organized ; Church .

Stuttgart—

Van Buren—Trinity, Organized ; Church 1887; Rectory 1900.

Washington—Grace, Organized ; Church ; Rectory 1883.

Winslow—St. Stephen's, Organized ; Chapel .

*The Secretary will thank the Rector or Parish Officers to furnish data by which the blanks in this list may be correctly filled before publication of the next Journal.

**ROLL OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS AND DELEGATES
DIOCESAN COUNCIL MAY 11, 1904.**

(Those marked with star were present at the Council.)

Batesville—St. Paul's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
J. Conway Fitzhugh.*	William Ramsey.
William B. Lawrence, M. D.	John W. Ferrill.
James E. Rosebrough.	James B. Fitzhugh.

Camden—St. John's

Delegates.	Alternates.
Joseph A. Reeves.*	Caleb H. Stone.
Samuel Q. Sevier.	Orlin C. Reeves.
P. Lynch Lee.	Reece T. Lockett.

Eureka Springs—St. James's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
J. C. Cunningham.	George Brown.
G. O. Linbarger.	C. F. Ellis.
Charles D. James.	H. E. Littleton.

Fayetteville—St. Paul's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
James McIlroy.	W. H. Massengale.
<u> </u> Hill.	William Cravens.

Forrest City—Good Shepherd.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John Gatling.	Ellis Turley.
James Gillam.*	H. A. Knight.
W. P. Gorman.	

Fort Smith—St. John's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
William A. Falconer.	Ernest G. Epler, M. D.
Andrew S. Dowd.	John Archer.
James A. Foltz.	Humes Hamilton.

Helena—St. John's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Peter Oscar Thweatt.*	Jerome B. Pillow.
Samuel S. Faulkner.	Greenfield Quarles.
Walter Barwick Bruce, M. D.*	George P. Merrifield.

Hope—St. Mark's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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Hot Springs—St. Luke's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Morris C. Tombler.	H. R. Vaughan.
Thos. A. Cockburn.	Chas. D. Greaves.
James P. Mellard.*	George G. Latta.

Little Rock—Christ Church.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John T. Hicks.*	R. W. Polk.
Gordon N. Peay.*	H. M. Bennett.*
H. C. Rather.*	C. P. Harnwell.

Little Rock—Trinity Cathedral.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Philander K. Roots.*	N. Y. Bailey.
William G. Whipple.	C. H. Kennedy.
E. Herman Tobey.	J. L. Abbott.

Mammoth Spring—St. Andrew's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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Marianna—St. Andrew's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
John Mayhew Daggett.*	Francis Hawkes Govan.
Francis Noel Burke.	Charles Joseph Gregory.
John Eberle Stevenson.	Dudley Sanders Clark.

Morrilton—St. Agnes's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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Nashville—Redeemer.

Delegates.	Alternates.
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Newport—St. Paul's.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Gustave Jones.*	E. C. Waterman.
Henry A. Ridley.*	Thos. J. Greggs.
Chas. R. Hite.	F. P. Skipwith.

Pine Bluff—Trinity.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Nichols Beardsley Trulock.*	Frederick Landes Dilley.*
Robert Everett Lee.*	Charles Harris Brown.'
Horatio Riley.*	Frank Tomlinson.*

Van Buren—Trinity.

Delegates.	Alternates.
Sidney A. Pernot.	Charles A. Pape.
Henry C. Faber.	George Miller.

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Arkansas City—St. Clements.	Brinkley—St. Luke's.
Jonesboro—St. Mark's. Delegates: Orris McNary, A. C. Kilty.	
Little Rock—St. Phillip's.	Siloam Springs—Grace.
Prescott—St. James's.	Washington—Grace.
Searcy—St. Thomas's.	
Lake Village District. Delegates: F. M. Rogers,* Henry Wells.	
Alternates: E. Smith, M. D., Jefferson Miles.	

UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.

Baring Cross, St. Barnabas.	Lonoke, St. Mark's.
Booneville.	Medford, St. Mary's.
Clarendon, Christ.	Mena, Christ.
Conway, St. Peter's.	Monticello, St. Mary's.
Dardanelle, St. Paul's.	Osceola, Calvary.
Des Arc, St. James's.	Paragould.
Devall's Bluff, All Saints.	Pocahontas, Ascension.
Dumas, Grace.	Rogers.
El Dorado.	Winslow, St. Stephen's.
Foreman, St. Barnabas.	Wynne, St. John's.
Lake Village, Emanuel.	

DIOCESAN OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

President—Mrs. J. B. Pillow, Helena.

Vice President Convocation of Little Rock—Mrs. L. H. Roots, 923 Scott St., Little Rock.

Convocation of Helena—Mrs. C. H. Lockwood, Helena.

Convocation of Fort Smith—Mrs. J. B. Whaling, Fayetteville.

Convocation of Batesville—Mrs. J. W. Ferrill, Batesville.

Secretary—Mrs. W. K. Lloyd, 215 West Thirteenth St., Little Rock.

Treasurer—Mrs. M. L. Bell, 811 West Barraque St., Pine Bluff.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

Directress—Mrs. J. D. Crockett, 1518 State St., Little Rock.

BABIES' BRANCH.

Directress—Miss M. Jordan, Seventh and Cumberland Sts., Little Rock.

Journal of Proceedings.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Thirty-second Annual Council of the Diocese convened at Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, May 11, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., and was opened by a celebration of the Holy Communion, the Bishop being the celebrant.

In place of the sermon the Bishop read the general portion of his annual address.

After service the Council was called to order by the Bishop. The roll of clergy was called and all responded to their names.

(See Clergy list, p. 7.)

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed and Mr. Walter B. Bruce a Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates. The committee reported as follows: All parishes had paid their Diocesan assessments and were entitled to representation.

Roll of Lay Delegates was called.

Mr. John M. Daggett was unanimously re-elected Secretary, and the nomination of the Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom by the Secretary as his assistant was approved, and the Council was declared duly organized.

The Council took a recess until 3 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Council reconvened at 3 p. m. and the session was opened with Hymn 359 and the Minor Litany.

The Bishop appointed the following committees under the canons :

Ways and Means—Rev. Walter D. Buckner, Rev. W. K. Lloyd, P. K. Roots, F. M. Rogers, Horatio Riley.

Auditing and Finance—Gordon N. Peay, H. M. Bennett, James C. Fitzhugh.

Admission of New Parishes—Rev. Howard M. Ingham, J. P. Mellard, P. O. Thweatt.

State of the Church—Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Ven. W. K. Lloyd, Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, Rev. Jas. W. Thompson, N. B. Trulock, Jos. A. Reeves.

Unfinished Business—The Secretary and his Assistant.

Constitutions and Canons—Chancellor John T. Hicks, Rev. George B. Norton, Rev. J. P. Robottom, Rev. J. B. Whaling, Rev. C. B. K. Weed, Rev. Joseph J. Cornish, Rev. C. C. Leman, Rev. Charles H. Kues, P. O. Thweatt, Gustave Jones, N. B. Trulock, Robert E. Lee.

Episcopal Residence Fund—Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, William G. Whipple, H. C. Rather, H. K. Cochran.

On motion of Rev. W. D. Buckner the privileges of the floor were extended to visiting clergy and laity of the other Protestant churches of the city.

The Council was welcomed by Rev. W. D. Buckner, rector of Trinity Parish.

Canon C. H. Lockwood responded on behalf of the Council.

The Standing Committee submitted its report, as follows :

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE TO THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL COUNCIL.

May 15, 1903—The Standing Committee elected by the Thirty-first Annual Council met in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, and organized by electing the Rev. Charles H. Lockwood, D. D., President, and Major P. K. Roots Secretary.

June 18, 1903—The committee met in Little Rock. Bond of Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, approved. Consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Edward M. Fawcett, Ph. D., to be the Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy. Consent was also given to the consecration of the Rev. Theodore DuBose Bratton, D. D., to be the Bishop of the Diocese of Mississippi.

September 28, 1903—Committee met in Little Rock. Consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Edwin Steven Lines, D. D., to be the Bishop of Newark. The committee gave consent to the vestry of St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville, to borrow the sum of one thousand dollars on its rectory.

December 10, 1903—Committee met in Little Rock. Gave consent to the consecration of the Rev. David H. Greer, D. D., to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of New York. The committee gave consent to St. Paul's Church, Newport, to borrow four thousand dollars, giving church property as security.

April 21, 1904—Committee met in Little Rock. Consent given to the consecration of the Rev. Richard Henry Nelson to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Albany. Consent of the committee given to the sale of the Pine Bluff property for \$3,100, vested in the Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, and held for the benefit of said fund.

May 11, 1904—Committee met in Pine Bluff. Recommended Dr. Alexander Crawford for Deacons' Orders, Rev. August Michael Treschow and Rev. John Cyril France for Priests' Orders.

C. H. LOCKWOOD,
President.

The Bishop read the remainder of his address, it being that part relating to the "American Negro" and concomitant topics.

Council took a recess until 8 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was a Missionary mass meeting. The clergy and Council entered the church preceded by the vested choir singing Hymn 520 as a processional.

After a shortened form of evening prayer Hymn 249 was sung.

The Bishop with appropriate remarks introduced Archdeacon Lloyd, who summarized the work of the past year in the missionary field.

Reports followed from Canon Lockwood of the Helena Convocation; Canon Smeade of the Little Rock Convocation, Canon Whaling of the Fort Smith Convocation, and Canon Agate of the Batesville Convocation.

Hymn 263 was sung.



Rev. James W. Thompson, of the Lake Village District; Rev. J. Cyril France, City Missionary at Little Rock; Rev. A. M. Treschow, of the Mena District; Rev. Joseph J. Cornish, of Marianna, and Rev. George E. Hancock, of Forrest City, made short addresses on the work in their several fields, and the Rev. C. C. Leman of Van Buren, spoke on the necessities and the opportunities for a School for Girls at Winslow.

The offerings were taken for a beginning of the school work at Winslow, and were presented with the long meter doxology, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

The Bishop pronounced the benediction and the Council retired with Hymn 252 as a recessional, and stood adjourned till tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Bishop being at Y. M. C. A. hall to open the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Committee on Constitution and Canons being in session, no session of the Council was held at 10 a. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Council met at 2:30 p. m., and it being Ascension Day, was opened with the gospel for the day, the creed, and collects said by the Bishop.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons was made special order for 8 o'clock p. m.

On motion the Secretary was ordered to wire the following message to Samuel S. Faulkner, Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund:

"The Council sincerely regrets your enforced absence and extends greetings, with hopes for your speedy return."

The appointment of the following Special Committee on matters relating to the next Pan-Anglican Missionary Council of 1907, and General Convention, appointed by the Bishop during recess was approved by the Council: Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. William M. Jefferis, Rev. Charles H. Kues, Joseph A. Reeves, James C. Fitzhugh, Rev. James W. Thompson.

The report of this committee was read and accepted, and under the provisional order of business announced by the Bishop, became a special order for 8 p. m. tomorrow.

The action of the Diocese of Milwaukee on the subject of Courts of Appeal was on motion of the Secretary referred to this Special Committee.

In the matter of Clergy Relief Rev. C. H. Lockwood submitted the following report:

HELENA, ARK., September 24, 1903.

The Rev. Alfred J. P. McClure, Philadelphia, Pa.

REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER: Please find New York exchange enclosed for \$39.08. This amount is to be credited to the Diocese of Arkansas, and not to my parish. A couple of years back the Bishop made an effort to create a special fund for the relief of the clergy in emergency cases, and requested me to take charge of it. Thirty-seven dollars and eight cents was placed in my hands. The fund did not grow very rapidly, and at the meeting of our last Council I suggested that the small amount be turned over to the General Clergy Relief, etc. It was so ordered, and I enclose the original \$37.08 with \$2 interest, making a total of \$39.08, which you will please credit to the Diocese of Arkansas. With best wishes, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

C. H. LOCKWOOD.

GENERAL CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

The Church House, 12th and Walnut Streets.

Philadelphia, Penn, September 23, 1903.

Received thirty-nine dollars and eight cents (\$39.08) from the Diocese of Arkansas for the General Clergy Relief Fund.

ALFRED J. P. McCLURE,

Assistant Treasurer and Financial Agent.

GEORGE C. THOMAS,

Treasurer.

Report ordered of record.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood, as Clerical Trustee University of the South, submitted his financial report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee, and is as follows:

Amounts received from various parishes in the Diocese of Arkansas for the Theological Department, University of the South, since the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, June, 1903:

December 1, 1903, St. John's, Camden, Ark.....	\$ 4.20
February 24, 1904, St. Paul's, Newport, Ark.....	2.85
April 2, 1904, St. John's, Helena, Ark.....	14.60
May 2, 1904, St. Andrew's, Marianna, Ark.....	8.00
May 6, 1904, St. Mark's, Hope, Ark.....	4.20
May 10, 1904, St. Paul's, Batesville, Ark.....	5.70
May 31, 1904, Christ Church, Little Rock, Ark.....	15.00
June 1, 1904, St. Mark's, Jonesboro, Ark.....	1.00
June 6, 1904, St. John's, Fort Smith, Ark.....	10.50
June 13, 1904, Trinity Church, Van Buren, Ark.....	4.40
June, 1904, St. Paul's, Fayetteville, Ark.....	5.00

Total to date.....\$75.45

Draft to R. M. DuBose, Treas. U. of S., June 14, 1904..\$75.00

Balance \$ 45

Also the following, which was read and ordered printed in the Journal:

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

The thought uppermost in the minds of the faculties and students, when the University of the South opened for its Lent Term on the 17th of March, was the loss sustained in the death of the Chancellor, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Underwood Dudley, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L., Bishop of Kentucky. The memorial character of the Vice Chancellor's address on that occasion, and the action of the Hebdomadal Board in regard to the Chancellor's death at its first meeting this year, were not intended to forestall the memorial service with which the meeting of the Board of Trustees will open at Sewanee on the 25th of June, when more formal memorial addresses will be delivered.

Changes in the faculties of the University are to be noted as follows: E. H. Babbitt, Professor of Modern Languages, resigned during the past year, and his chair is being filled by Glen Levin Swiggett, Ph. D., lately of the University of Missouri. By election of the Board of Trustees last year, the Rev. Thomas Allen Tidball, D. D., of Philadelphia, now occupies the chair of Ecclesiastical History and Polity in the Theological Department, and St. George Leakin

Sioussat, Ph. D., that of History and Economics in the Academic Department. B. M. Roszel, Ph. D., became Head Master of the Grammar School at the beginning of the Trinity Term last year.

Last year, from March to December, the student roll of the University in its various departments aggregated 510, which was only a slight falling off from the previous year, this falling off being in the ranks of the medical students. The Academic Department was considerably in advance of former years. What the medical school lacked in numbers was fully made up in the quality of its men and the class of M. D.'s and Ph. G.'s graduated in January. Though not the largest, it was regarded as the best class graduated from the University in many years.

The University opened in March with flattering prospects for the present year. The Academic Department has thus far kept about fifteen ahead of its members in the Lent Term of last year, and more than twice that number ahead of the previous year. It has in fact more students than in any previous Lent Term. The Medical Department opened a month earlier than previously, and already has a good attendance, and the full student attendance of more than 300 in all the various departments is a better showing than ever before made at this time of year.

Widespread notice has been given of a Summer School of Theology in the Theological Department this year, to open on the first of August and to continue four weeks. Besides courses of lectures by members of the Theological Faculty, arrangements are being made for special lectures and courses of lectures by visiting speakers and teachers.

The University has received a bequest from the late Mrs. Herman Aldrich, of New York, of \$10,000, to be applied to the Endowment Fund. The Goodwyn Fund has received an additional \$1,000, in accordance with the expressed wish of the late Mrs. Goodwyn, of Nashville. Last December a movement was inaugurated for raising a fund to carry on the work of the University more effectively, and to secure from alumni and friends pledges for annual payments up to and including May 1, 1907. That year will be celebrated the University's Semi-Centennial, and it is expected to have a large fund raised by that time, to be applied to:

- I. For properly equipping the Scientific Department.
- II. For the completion of the Gymnasium.
- III. For the completion of the Library Catalogue and for the purchase of new books.
- IV. For the improvement of the Athletic Field.
- V. For the creation of a permanent fund for the maintenance of the various departments of the University.

The Chaplain of the University, Rev. Mr. Guerry, spent the winter in several Southern States visiting the large cities in the interest of this fund, and also urging the needs of a new Chapel. As a result, not only have pledges to the Semi-Centennial Fund been secured to the amount of some \$20,000, but the University and its needs are more widely known than ever before. Rev. Mr. Guerry has since made a similar visit to New York, and with good success.

Closely related to the Semi-Centennial movement is the effort of the Board of Trustees to secure money for the building of a new chapel at Sewanee. The committee named for this purpose in the Diocese of Georgia has organized and put out a strong circular letter inviting co-operation.

The long continued efforts of the University to have a first-class printing and publishing plant established at Sewanee have at last met with success, and within a few months the "Sewanee Press" will be in operation. This means much for Sewanee. That Sewanee is fitted to become a literary center in the South is evidenced by the "Sewanee Review," the quarterly which is now in its twelfth volume, as well as by the number of books emanating from Sewanee writers.

Baron Speck von Sternburg, the German Ambassador, has accepted an invitation to deliver the Baccalaureate Address on June 30. Every effort will be made to have the commencement exercises this year surpass in dignity those of former years.

May 1, 1904.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Lockwood the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to prepare memorial pages on the deaths of Rev. R. S. James, D. D., LL. D., and the Rev. William A. Fair, and that the reference in the Bishop's address be referred to that committee.

The Bishop appointed as that committee, Rev. C. H. Lockwood and P. K. Roots.

(See Appendix II.)

The regular order of business was suspended and election of officers taken up.

The Bishop appointed as clerical tellers Rev. J. B. C. Beaubien and Rev. C. C. Leman, and as lay tellers James C. Fitzhugh and Walter B. Bruce.

P. K. Roots being the only nominee for Treasurer of the Diocese, the Secretary was ordered to cast the entire

vote of the Council for him, which was done, and he was declared unanimously elected.

Samuel S. Faulkner being the only nominee for Trustee of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, the Secretary was ordered to cast the entire vote of the Council for him, which was done, and he was declared unanimously elected.

The Standing Committee of last year was unanimously re-elected, as follows: Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, P. K. Roots, Joseph A. Reeves.

On first ballot by orders for deputies to the General Convention the following were elected: CLERICAL, Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D., Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. W. D. Buckner. Rev. George B. Norton, D. D. LAY, N. B. Trulock, P. K. Roots, Joseph A. Reeves, John T. Hicks.

The following substitutes were then elected: CLERICAL, Rev. C. B. K. Weed, Rev. J. B. Whaling, Rev. Joseph J. Cornish, Rev. H. M. Ingham. LAY, Gustave Jones, John M. Daggett, Robert E. Lee, J. V. Walker.

On nomination of Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Rev. Caleb E. K. Weed was unanimously elected clerical, and Walter B. Bruce, M. D., lay, Trustee University of the South, for the term expiring 1907.

Fay Hempstead was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom was unanimously elected Trustee of the General Theological Seminary for the term ending 1907.

The Chancellor called the attention of the Council to the request of the Registrar, page 20, Journal 1903, and resolution on page 26 of the same Journal touching parochial history, and on his motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the chair appoint a committee of three whose duty it shall be to gather historical information touching the organization of the various Parishes and Missions.

The Bishop appointed as that committee, Very Rev. J. Percy Robottom, John T. Hicks, Fay Hempstead.

On motion of Rev. James W. Thompson it was

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Council be tendered to the Rector of Trinity and his parishioners for their generous hospitality.

The Committee on State of the Church submitted the following report:

Your Committee on the State of the Church would respectfully report that the experience of the past year gives cause for encouragement in many respects. The number of communicants has increased at a greater rate than in any recent year, and contributions to the cause of missions are steadily increasing. There are now canonically resident in the Diocese a larger number of clergymen than ever before, and their devotion to duty and high Christian character give cause for great rejoicing.

But, while these facts are recorded with feelings of pride, we must not overlook the fact that there is much room for improvement in the Diocese of Arkansas. When we consider the fact that more than half the counties in this great commonwealth are entirely devoid of an Episcopal Church or Chapel building; that many of these have not had an Episcopal service within their confines for many years past; and that many of the large towns in the Diocese have no Episcopal organization and are making no effort to secure one, we are forced to the conclusion that although more than three score years have passed since the organization of the first Arkansas parish, we are still practically upon the very threshold of the Church of God, and that our labors are scarcely yet well under way. There ought to be an Episcopal Church in every hamlet, and a prayer book in every home. Every youth in the land should know the service, and every urchin the catechism and the creed; whereas, in fact, there are thousands who have yet to witness the service for the first time, and who would look upon our clerical vestments as an empty form and as a show of vanity.

It is cause for joy, however, that the mission work is organized and advancing as never before, and that the day is not far when The Church will be known and seen in every section of the State.

We find a greater number of baptisms and confirmations reported for the past year than for any preceding year. Trinity Cathedral is preparing to remodel the Deanery. St. Paul's, Newport, is ready to build a magnificent stone church, to cost not less than \$8,000. Lots have been purchased in various towns preparatory to building, and the present outlook gives promise of satisfactory progress in the coming year.

Your committee also urges a deeper interest in Sunday school work.

(Signed)

G. GORDON SMEADE,
W. K. LLOYD,
J. PERCY ROBOTOM,
JAMES V. THOMPSON,
N. B. TRULOCK,
JOSEPH A. REEVES,

Committee.

On motion of Gustave Jones it was voted "That the Bishop appoint a committee to revise and digest the Constitution and Canons and present their report to the next Council."

The Council on motion resolved itself into a Board of Missions.

The Secretary submitted his report.

(See Appendix III.)

The Treasurer submitted his report.

(See Appendix IV.)

The Board of Managers as constituted last year was unanimously re-elected, as follows: The Bishop ex-officio President; the Archdeacon and Canons ex-officio members; Rev. C. H. Lockwood, Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, Rev. Walter D. Buckner, N. B. Trulock, H. C. Rather, John Gatling.

On motion the Rev. William M. Jefferis was added to the Board.

On motion the Board of Missions resolved itself into the Diocesan Council.

The Council took a recess until 8 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The clergy entered with Hymn 396 as a processional. Shortened form of evening prayer for Ascension Day was said and the services closed with Hymn 450.

Council was called to order, the Bishop in the chair.



The following communication was received from the Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary:

GREETING.

The Woman's Auxiliary, now in session in Merrill Institute, wishes to inform the Bishop and Council now assembled in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff, that they rejoice over the prosperous condition of the missionary work in the Diocese and report that the apportionment of \$274, made on the Woman's Auxiliary, is almost paid and we hope the balance will come in the near future.

(Signed)

MRS. LLOYD,
Diocesan Secretary.
MRS. TABOR.

The Bishop introduced to the Council Dr. Hall of Philadelphia, who spoke on the work of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

He was followed by Rev. William M. Jefferis, the Bishop's Chaplain, in a short address.

On motion of the Secretary the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the reports of the Treasurer and other financial officers and of the Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, when filed by them, be referred to the Auditing Committee with leave to that committee to note their action at the end of each report.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION
AND CANONS.**

Mr. President and Members of the Council:

We, your Committee on Constitution and Canons, ask leave to make the following report: We have had under consideration the very important question of providing for the organization and establishment of a complete system of convocations in the Diocese, and have had the benefit of the wisdom and advice of a number of the leading and most thoughtful men of the church in the nation. With this invaluable aid we feel that we have reached a solution which will be free of objection from any source, and beg to submit the following:

We offer the following as amendments to the Constitution:

Resolved, That paragraph 2, of Article I, of the Constitution of the Diocese of Arkansas be, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"2. The Priests, or Presbyters, who preach the Word, administer the sacraments of The Church, and have the oversight and pastoral care of the Laity in their several congregations. They also have the right to advise their Bishop, and, when admitted to membership in the Diocesan Council as provided in Article II, they shall share in the government of The Church, according to the Canons. Provided, The minister in charge of each congregation, whether or not he be a member of the Council, may exercise the same authority in his congregation as is now, or may hereafter be provided by the Canons."

Resolved, further, that Article II of the Constitution be, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"ARTICLE II.

"Of the Council.

"Section 1. There shall be a Council annually at such time and place as the Council, from time to time, may designate; and in case of its failure to do so the Bishop shall appoint a time and place.

"Sec. 2. The Bishop, by virtue of his office shall be President of the Council, and in his absence the Council shall select one of its members to preside, *pro tempore*.

"Sec. 3. The Council shall be composed of the Bishop of the Diocese, the clergymen who are now canonically resident in the following parishes, and their canonical successors, to-wit:

Christ Church.....	Little Rock, Ark.
Church of the Good Shepherd.....	Forrest City, Ark.
Church of the Redeemer.....	Nashville, Ark.
St. Agnes's Church.....	Morrilton, Ark.
St. Andrew's Church.....	Mammoth Spring, Ark.
St. Andrew's Church.....	Marianna, Ark.
St. James's Church.....	Eureka Springs, Ark.
St. John's Church.....	Camden, Ark.
St. John's Church.....	Fort Smith, Ark.
St. John's Church.....	Helena, Ark.
St. Luke's Church.....	Hot Springs, Ark.
St. Mark's Church.....	Hope, Ark.
St. Paul's Church.....	Batesville, Ark.
St. Paul's Church.....	Fayetteville, Ark.
St. Paul's Church.....	Newport, Ark.
Trinity Church.....	Pine Bluff, Ark.
Trinity Church.....	Van Buren, Ark.
Trinity Cathedral.....	Little Rock, Ark.

"And of three Lay Delegates from each of the said parishes to be chosen annually by their respective vestries from among the male

communicants of their respective congregations; also, of the clergymen who are now canonically resident in the following Organized Missions, and their canonical successors, to-wit:

Grace Mission.....	Siloam Springs, Ark.
Grace Mission.....	Washington, Ark.
St. Clement's Mission.....	Arkansas City, Ark.
St. James's Mission.....	Prescott, Ark.
St. Luke's Mission.....	Brinkley, Ark.
St. Mark's Mission.....	Jonesboro, Ark.
St. Thomas's Mission.....	Searcy, Ark.

"And of one Lay Delegate from each of said Organized Missions, to be appointed annually by the minister in charge of the respective missions from among the male communicants of their respective congregations; and, also, of such other Clerical Delegates and Lay Delegates as may be admitted from time to time under the provisions of Section 5 of this Article.

"Sec. 4. The Chancellor, the Secretary, and the Treasurer of the Diocese and Registrar shall be entitled, ex-officio, to seats in the Council, with the right to debate, but shall have no vote as such.

"Sec. 5. Clerical Delegates and Lay Delegates, other than those provided for in Section 3 of this Article, may be admitted to membership in the Council by the affirmative vote of three-fourths of all the Clerical Members of the Council and three-fourths of all the Lay Members of the Council, voting by orders and by ballot.

"Sec. 6. Special Councils may be called by the Bishop when urgent necessity may require; provided, ten days notice, by mail, shall be given each member.

"Sec. 7. Without the concurrence of the Clergy and the Laity, voting by orders, no rule of law or The Church shall be adopted, amended, or repealed.

"Sec. 8. Any duty devolving upon the Bishop may be performed by the Standing Committee in case of vacancy."

Resolved, further, That Article III of the Constitution be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"ARTICLE III.

"Of the Organization of Congregations.

"Section 1. All parishes, missions and congregations shall be organized in conformity with the Canons relating thereto, and no new parish shall have an organized existence in this Diocese unless it shall be approved by the Bishop and acknowledged by the Council by a vote of three-fourths of all the Clerical Members of the Council and three-fourths of all the Lay Members of the Council, voting by orders and by ballot.

"Sec. 2. The Organized Missions named in Section 3, of Article II, may be acknowledged as parishes by a majority vote of those present, at any Annual Council."

Be it further *resolved*, That this resolution shall lie over until the next Annual Council, and in the meantime it shall be notified to all the parishes by the Secretary of the Council within thirty days from this date.

Be it *resolved*, That Section 49, Canon I, Title III, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 49. The Bishop may divide the Diocese into Convocations, naming the parishes and congregations to be assigned to each Convocation, and every clergymen, parish, and mission in the Diocese shall be assigned to one or other of such Convocations."

Resolved, further, That the following sections be, and the same are hereby added to Canon I, Title III, and shall become a part thereof, to-wit:

"Sec. 54a. That all congregations, and the ministers in charge thereof, who are not now members of the Diocesan Council or of existing Convocations, and who may not hereafter become members thereof, be organized into a Convocation, or Convocations, in which such ministers shall be entitled to a seat, and every such duly organized congregation of such Convocation shall be entitled to representation therein by three Lay Delegates, the Bishop, or his duly authorized representative to be *ex-officio* chairman of such Convocation. All Constitutional and Canonical measures adopted by such Convocation in order to become effective shall be presented to and ratified and confirmed by the Diocesan Council..

"Sec. 54b. Be it *resolved*, That Section 54b of Canon I. Title III, be and the same is hereby repealed.

"Sec. 54b. The Convocation provided for in Section 54a shall convene annually at such time and place as may be provided by resolution of said Convocation spread upon its minutes; provided the annual session of said Convocation shall be held not more than thirty days prior to the session of the Diocesan Council.

"Sec. 54c. All funds that may be contributed by the members of the Convocation provided for by Section 54a, and all funds that may be appropriated to said Convocation by the annual Council, or donated to it from any source, shall be expended by authority of said Convocation under the supervision of the Bishop for the promotion of the work of The Church in said Convocation.

"Sec. 54d. Said Convocation may, when six separate parishes or missions, or congregations, shall have been organized according to the Canons and admitted to membership in said Convocation, adopt for their government a Constitution and Canons not inconsistent with the general Constitution and general Canons and not inconsistent with the

Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, and subject to the approval of the Bishop of the Diocesan Council, and the Constitution when so adopted shall provide that said Convocation shall be under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of this Diocese; that all Canons adopted by it shall be approved by the Bishop before becoming operative; and may provide for its absolute independence of the Diocesan Council.

"Sec. 54e. All Canons hereafter adopted by the Council having special and exclusive reference to said Convocation before becoming operative shall be approved by the said Convocation and by the Bishop of the Diocese.

"Sec. 54f. After the adoption of the Constitution of the Convocation provided for in Section 54d, no alteration thereof shall be made except in the manner provided by Article VIII of the present Constitution of the Diocese. And all propositions to amend the Constitution of said Convocation before becoming operative shall be approved by the Bishop and by two-thirds of all of the Clerical Members of the Council and two-thirds of all of the Lay Members of the Council voting by orders.

Sec. 54g. Said Convocation, and the parishes, missions and congregations composing the same, shall at all times conform to the general Constitution and Canons of The Church and shall be subject to the same methods of discipline as are now provided by Canon.

"Sec. 54h. The committees and subordinate officers of said Convocation shall be appointed by the Bishop.

"Sec. 54i. The annual session of said Convocation may, by resolution duly certified by its presiding officer and Secretary, express its choice for members of the Standing Committee and for delegates to the General Convention, and in the event of the election of a Bishop, a Bishop Coadjutor, or a Chancellor of the Diocese, may express its choice for the officer so to be elected, stating separately the number of votes cast by the clergy and by the laity in Convocation for each person; and the vote so certified to the Council shall be estimated in such election.

"These amendments seem to be necessary to authorize the enactment of the Canons, which your committee believe to be necessary to a complete system.

"Respectfully submitted,

"JOHN T. HICKS,
"Chairman."

The amendments to the Constitution as reported by the committee were approved by unanimous vote of the Council, and ordered to lie over until the next Council and to be certified to the several Parishes and Missions by the Secretary within thirty days.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

"Resolved, That Sections 54a and 54b of Canon I, Title III, be and the same are hereby repealed."

The vote being unanimous, the Canons were declared constitutionally repealed.

Proposed amendments were approved and ordered to lie over till the next Council.

The following resolution offered by Chancellor Hicks was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, Certain conditions of a social nature have existed in the Diocese of Arkansas which have had a tendency to retard the progress of The Church,

WHEREAS, In attempting to correct these conditions our beloved Bishop has been the recipient of many criticisms, some of which are characterized by the most uncharitable, most un-Christian spirit.

WHEREAS, We sincerely believe that the entire course of our Bishop is wholly free from just criticism, and that he is prompted in his efforts by nothing save the most Godly purposes and the most sacred motives.

WHEREAS, We believe that those criticisms come from those persons only who wholly fail to appreciate the serious character of the conditions aforesaid.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Arkansas in annual Council assembled, does hereby pledge to the Bishop its most unqualified support in his unselfish and praiseworthy efforts in this behalf; that we most heartily commend him as a man of undaunted courage, and Christian forbearance. We believe that his disposition to forgiveness toward those who refer to him in terms most intolerant entitles him to unstinted praise, and we assure him that while the storm of invective was hanging low we believe that those of our country who fully appreciate the seriousness and magnitude of the question he has undertaken to solve have reserved for him a position truly enviable in their personal esteem.

The Bishop replied to the resolution in touching words and with profound feeling.

The Chancellor offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Canon XIV, Section 31, be amended by changing Item 6 of said Section 31, so as to read as follows: "6. Appointment of Standing Committees, except the Committee on Constitution and Canons," and by adding to said section the following: "25. Appointment of a Committee on Constitution and Canons."



The resolution was unanimously adopted, and being so adopted the Canon was declared constitutionally amended. Adjourned till tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Council was opened with prayers by the Bishop.

Under the Canon the Bishop appointed Ven. W. K. Lloyd, D. D., a member of the Committee on Education, and the following were elected by vote of the Council: Rev. Jos. J. Cornish, Rev. C. C. Leman, Rev. George B. Norton, D. D., Mr. N. B. Trulock, Mr. John T. Hicks, Mr. John Gatling, Mr. Gustave Jones, Mr. Morris C. Tomblor.

Committee on matters before the next General Convention submitted the following from the Diocese of Milwaukee, and reported that the committee favors some kind of extra Diocesan Courts of Appeal.

DIOCESAN OFFICE, MILWAUKEE, WIS., October 1, 1902.

To the Secretary of the Diocese of Arkansas.

DEAR SIR: I hereby beg to inform you officially that at the recent Annual Council of the Diocese of Milwaukee, held at the Cathedral, Milwaukee, September 16-17, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, viz:

"WHEREAS, Recent events that have been widely published and discussed in the public press, have illustrated anew the grave evils resulting from the neglect in this Church to make canonical provision for extra-diocesan Courts of Appeals in cases of the trial of a clergyman; a neglect that renders both the minister who may be defendant, and the Bishop who may act as trial judge or may pronounce sentence after trial, liable to the gravest injustice or suspicion of injustice, by reason of the impossibility of granting or receiving a new trial upon appeal to a higher court; therefore be it

"*Resolved*, That the Diocese of Milwaukee, which has happily been free from any instances of the trial of any of

her clergy for a long term of years, earnestly petitions General Convention to grant some form of relief, by provision for extra-diocesan Courts of Appeals, for the protection alike of the Bishops and the other clergy of this Church; and

"Resolved, further, that such relief can, in the opinion of this Diocese, be most satisfactorily effected by means of a wise provision for the grouping of Dioceses and Missionary Districts together in a Provincial System designed to embrace the whole country, by due provision of Canon, according to the terms of Article VII of the Constitution; and

"Resolved, That the Secretary of the Council be and is hereby instructed to communicate this action to the Secretaries of the several Diocesan Councils, Conventions, and Synods of the Church in this country, with the request that it be brought to the attention of each of the said Diocesan bodies; and that this Diocese earnestly requests the co-operation of each of such bodies, if it shall seem good to any of them, in presenting to the General Convention of 1904 a body of petitions from every Diocese embodying the preamble and the first or the first and second of these resolutions, or others of like import, at their own discretion, to the end that the mind of the Church at large on this important and pressing matter may be distinctly shown; and this Diocese would appreciate the courtesy of any other Diocese that would inform their Secretary what action, if any, might be taken therein under this invitation."

In obedience to this resolution, I respectfully request you to bring this communication to the attention of your Diocese (or Missionary District), at its next conciliar meeting, and will greatly appreciate the courtesy if you will inform me what action, if any, taken in respect thereto, and under this invitation.

Very faithfully,
C. B. BERGIN WRIGHT,
Secretary of the Diocese of Milwaukee.

The report was adopted.

Also the following from the Diocese of California:

To the Secretary of the Diocese of Arkansas:

I desire to inform you officially that at the recent Convention of the Diocese of California holden in Grace Church, San Francisco, January 28, 1904, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted:

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PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, There is a growing sentiment throughout the Church in favor of the use of the Revised Version of the Bible in public worship; and

WHEREAS, the Marginal Readings Bible authorized by the General Convention in 1901 has emphasized but not fully satisfied this sentiment; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Convention of the Diocese of California hereby petitions the General Convention to take such action as may be necessary to permit the use of the Revised Version in the lessons in Morning and Evening Prayer.

I respectfully request you to bring this communication to the attention of your Diocese (or Missionary District), at its next council meeting, and will greatly appreciate the courtesy if you will inform me what action, if any, is taken in respect thereto, and under this invitation.

Very sincerely,

MARDON D. WILSON,

Secretary Convention, Diocese of California.

The committee reported against the permissive use of the Revised Version and the report was adopted.

On suggestion of the Bishop the members of the Judiciary Committee were added to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

It was voted that the next meeting of the Council be held at St. Luke's, Hot Springs.

Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D., presented the following letter and memorandum, which were ordered printed in the Journal:

NEW YORK, May 3, 1904.

The Rev. C. H. Lockwood, D. D., Helena, Ark.

MY DEAR DOCTOR: As our Clerical Commissioner for the Diocese of Arkansas I send you enclosed a statement of the contributions received from churches in Arkansas the past year, for the Building Fund. I also send a memorandum of the loans and gifts made to churches in your Diocese.

I shall send you (addressed care of Trinity Church, Pine Bluff), copies of our annual report, which I hope you will have distributed at your Diocesan Convention on May 11.

It is desirable that these reports reach the *laymen*, as copies have been sent to the clergy by mail. Please note that we are making gifts of money more generally than loans. I remain, my dear doctor,

Yours very sincerely,

JOHN NEWTON PERKINS,

Corresponding Secretary.

DIOCESE OF ARKANSAS.

Total amount contributed to the Church Building Fund in twenty-three years from 1881 to 1904, \$154.45.

Contributed during the past year: Camden, St. John's Church, \$4.30.

Loans have been made as follows: Dardanelle, Witcherville, Mammoth Spring, Forrest City, Hot Springs, and Marianna (all paid in full with interest), \$6,762.91.

Gifts have been made as follows: Monticello, Lake Village, Lonoke, Foreman, Conway, Pocahontas, Searcy, Harrison, and Little Rock, amounting to \$1,000.

The amount of our Permanent Fund at present is \$385,482.99.

Chancellor John T. Hicks presented the following resolution:

Be it resolved, That the Committee on Constitution and Canons be, and they are hereby instructed to revise the present Constitution of this Diocese, to make such changes and amendments as, to said committee, may seem to be necessary, and to codify the existing Canons of the Diocese and suggest such changes and such additional Canons as may be deemed expedient.

Said committee may fill vacancies that may occur in its membership by refusal to serve, by death, resignation or otherwise, subject to the approval of the Bishop.

Said committee shall prepare a report of the result of its labors, shall cause the same to be printed, and ninety days before the next Annual Council shall transmit at least ten copies thereof to the minister in charge of each parish and organized mission in the Diocese which may then have a right to representation in the Council.

Said committee shall make report at the next Annual Council, and if the same shall be approved by the Bishop, and by two-thirds of the clergy, and by two-thirds of the laity present, voting by orders, that portion thereof which may be presented as a revision of the Constitution, shall thereupon become the Constitution of this Diocese; and if that portion thereof which shall be presented as Canons shall be approved by a majority of clergy and by a majority of the laity present, the same shall become the Canons of the Diocese.

Resolved, That this resolution be and the same is hereby approved, as in compliance with Article VIII of the Constitution.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion it was voted to change the title of the fund for "Aged and Infirm Clergy and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy" to the "General Clergy Relief Fund," and to take an offering on National Thanksgiving Day, or Quinquagesima Sunday, and the Secretary was directed to publish the card of the Trustees of the fund on the third page of the cover of the Journal, as was done last year.

The Treasurer was directed to pay the Secretary \$100 as an honorarium, and to pay the Sexton of Trinity Church \$5 for his services during the meeting of the Council.

Rev. G. B. Norton submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary have one thousand copies of the Journal printed for distribution, as usual, and, further, that one thousand reprints of the amendments to the Constitution and of the Canons adopted at this Council be printed.

The resolution was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Suggestion of Subjects for Discussion at the Pan-Anglican Missionary Council of 1907, came up as a special order, as follows:

1. Subjects of Supreme Importance in your own Region to which the Church should address itself without delay?

Suggestion:

A. THE RACIAL QUESTION.

B. CHURCH EXTENSION.

1. Enlisting the Interest of *Men*.

2. The Christian Training of the *Young*.

C. INSTITUTIONAL WORK IN MISSIONARY OPERATIONS.

2. Subjects outside your own Regions to which you desire to call the attention of the whole Church?

Suggestion:

A. CHRISTIAN UNION.

B. MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

C. THE OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S DAY.

3. What is the Duty of the whole Anglican Communion as one body, at this time, acting together, in order to make some supremely important advance, in fulfillment of our grave responsibilities towards:

- A. OUR OWN PEOPLE.
- B. ALL CHRISTENDOM.
- C. THE WHOLE WORLD.

Suggestion:

- A. OUR OWN PEOPLE.
 - 1. The Development of the *Spiritual Life*.
 - 2. The Maintenance of the *Catholic Faith*.
- B. ALL CHRISTENDOM.
 - 1. Seeking out points of *Agreement* rather than of *Disagreement*.
- C. THE WHOLE WORLD.
 - 1. The World's Need of the Gospel.
 - 2. The Solidarity of Mankind.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Ways and Means submitted the following:

To the Bishop and Council, Diocese of Arkansas:

The Committee on Ways and Means respectfully report for Diocesan assessment and Missionary apportionment (50 per cent to Diocesan Missions and 50 per cent to the General Board at New York, and if the General Board on Sept. 1, 1904, make any change in the apportionment of \$1,000 in round numbers, then the Treasurer of the Board is to retain and remit *pro rata*) the following amounts:

	Diocesan Assessment.	Missionary Apportionment.
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	\$400	\$400
Trinity, Pine Bluff	225	225
St. John's, Helena.....	225	225
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.....	200	200
St. John's, Fort Smith.....	175	175
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	175	175
St. Paul's, Batesville.....	100	100
St. Paul's, Fayetteville.....	100	100
Trinity, Van Buren.....	100	100
St. Paul's, Newport.....	100	100
St. John's, Camden.....	60	60
St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	50	50
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	50	50
St. James's, Eureka Springs.....	40	40

St. Mark's, Hope.....	\$ 30	\$ 30
Trinity, Searcy	25	25
Christ Church, Mena	25	25
St. Luke's, Brinkley.....	20	20
St. Mark's, Pulaski Heights.....	20	20
Emanuel, Lake Village.....	20	20
St. Clement's, Arkansas City.....	20	20
St. Mark's, Jonesboro.....	15	15
St. Mary's, Monticello.....	15	15
Grace, Washington	15	15
St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring.....	10	10
St. Agnes's, Morrilton.....	10	10
St. Barnabas's, Foreman.....	10	10
Redeemer, Nashville	10	10
Grace, Siloam Springs.....	10	10
St. John's, Prescott.....	10	10
Ascension, Pochontas	10	10
St. Mary's, Medford.....	10	10
St. John's, Harrison.....	10	10
St. Stephen's, Winslow.....	5	5
St. Mark's, Conway.....	5	5
St. Mark's, Lonoke.....	5	5
St. Andrew's, Rogers.....	5	5
Holy Communion, Paragould.....	5	5
Calvary, Osceola	5	5
Ascension, Booneville	5	5
St. Matthias' Dermott.....	5	5
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_____, Stuttgart	5	5
_____, Hartford	5	5
Holy Trinity, Berryville.....	4	4
_____, Gillette	2	2
St. James's, Des Arc.....	2	2
St. Thomas's, El Dorado.....	2	2
St. Barnabas's, Baring Cross.....	2	2
St. John's, Wynne.....	2	2

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Respectfully submitted,

W. D. BUCKNER,
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W. K. LLOYD,
R. E. LEE,

Committee.

The report, assessment and apportionment were unanimously adopted and approved.

The approval of the minutes of today's proceedings was left with the Bishop and Secretary.

After collects and benediction by the Bishop, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

WM. M. BROWN,
Bishop of Arkansas.

ATTEST:

JOHN M. DAGGETT,
Secretary.

APPENDIX I.

SIXTH ADDRESS

TO THE

ANNUAL COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE
OF ARKANSAS

BY THE

RT. REV. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY BROWN, D. D.
Bishop of Arkansas

OFFICIAL RECORD.

It is my privilege to welcome you to the Thirty-second Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas. I do this most warmly in the joyful hope and belief that our meeting together once more in social fellowship and deliberative conference will do us and the Diocese at large much good.

I.

NECROLOGY.

Since our last Annual Council the following Bishops in the one Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, belonging to the American branch of the Anglican Communion, have passed from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant, namely:

1. The Rt. Rev. Thomas March Clark, D. D., L.L. D., Presiding Bishop and Bishop of Rhode Island, died in Sept., 1903. He had been for a long time the oldest Bishop of the Anglican Communion. In his early days Bishop Clark became famous as a lecturer and pulpit orator. He was always a wise administrator, an astute thinker, and a man of great piety.

2. The Rt. Rev. Thomas Alfred Starkey, D. D., Bishop of Newark, died at his home in East Orange, N. J., on the morning of Sunday, May 17, 1903. Bishop Starkey lived to the ripe age of eighty-five. He had successful pastorates in Albany, and Geneva, N. Y., Cleveland, Ohio, and Paterson, N. J., and consecrated Bishop of Newark on Jan. 8, 1880. He rendered conspicuous service to the Church during his Episcopate as a member of the commission for the safe-guarding of immigrants. He was a man of scholarly temperament, an impressive preacher, and possessed of a cordial and charming personality.

3. The Rt. Rev. Abiel Leonard, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Salt Lake, passed away at his home on Dec. 3, 1903. As the successor of Bishops Whitaker and Tuttle, Dr. Leonard admirably maintained the traditions which they had established and made his own large contribution to the extension of the Church in the immense district placed under his care. As a Missionary Bishop he possessed the power to inspire his people with missionary zeal. His was a life of peerless devotion to duty.

4. The Rt. Rev. James Addison Ingle, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Hankow, China, died on the morning of Dec. 7, 1903. The news came as a great shock and surprise to all. His short Episcopate was marked by many advance steps. We have recently learned from the Rev. Herbert Roots, who has just returned from China, how singularly earnest and far sighted Bishop Ingle was. He set himself to the task of training Chinese clergy, catechists and teachers. He planted elementary day schools and developed Boone school. He founded medical missions and studied to bring the Church's influence to bear upon all phases of Chinese life.

5. The Rt. Rev. Thomas Underwood Dudley, D. D., L.L. D., D. C. L., Bishop of Kentucky, died suddenly in the City of New York on Friday, Jan. 22, 1904. Bishop Dudley was Chairman of the Commission for Church Work among the Colored People, and Chancellor of the University of the South. He will be sorely missed. Bishop Dudley was one of the most polished, genial and conspicuous prelates of the American Church.

The Rev. William Allan Fair, Presbyter, passed to his reward in Little Rock, on the evening of Oct. 20, 1903. Mr. Fair consecrated the early years of his ministry to the missionary field. He spent twenty-five years in Africa. He labored for a few months amongst the colored people in Little Rock, by whom he was very much respected and beloved. Guileless and without pretension, at the same time he was a man of strong convictions. He died in the faith which illuminated and consoled him in life.

The Rev. Richard S. James, D. D., L.L. D., died at Eureka Springs, on Saturday, Nov. 14, 1903. Dr. James was born in Philadelphia and educated at Brown University. He was a man of scholarly instincts. He had been a physician, teacher, and Baptist minister before he entered the ministry of the Church. Bishop Pierce and he were in college together, and it was largely through the Bishop's influence that the Doctor came into the Church. His college friend ordained him to both the diaconate and priesthood some fifteen years ago, and they worked together until separated by death. Dr. James exercised his ministry in the Church at Arkadelphia, Morrilton, Russellville, Mammoth Spring and Eureka Springs.



II.

THE RECORD OF MY OFFICIAL VISITATIONS AND ACTS
FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 1903-4.

The Bishops are required by a general Canon of the Church to keep a record of their official acts and to report them to the Council.

As we publish a Council Journal and as my annual official addresses appear in it, I do not feel obliged to read the whole record of my work to the Council and shall therefore take the liberty of confining myself to the more interesting portions of it.

I. SUMMER VISITATIONS.

Wednesday, May 13, 1903, 10 a. m., opened the Thirty-first Annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas at Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, with the celebration of the Holy Communion, and the ordination to the diaconate of two candidates. At 3 p. m. delivered my fifth official address to the Annual Council. May 14 and 15, presided at all the sessions of the Council.

Sunday, May 17, 10:30 a. m., catechised St. John's Sunday school, Fort Smith. 11 a. m., preached, confirmed one candidate and celebrated the Holy Communion in St. John's Church, Fort Smith. 7:30 p. m., conducted evening prayer, and preached in St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville. After the service had an informal conference with the Vestry.

Tuesday, May 19, 7:30 p. m., administered Holy Baptism to one adult candidate, confirmed four candidates, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Mark's, Jonesboro.

Wednesday, May 20, 7:30 p. m., baptized two adult candidates, confirmed five candidates and preached at Pocahontas. This was my first visitation here since the erection of our attractive Chapel.

Sunday, May 24, assisted at morning prayer in the Cathedral.

Sunday, May 31, 10 a. m., catechised St. Paul's Sunday school, Batesville. 10:30 a. m., at morning prayer, preached and confirmed two candidates in St. Paul's Church. 7:30 p. m., at evening prayer, preached and confirmed eight candidates in St. Paul's Church, Newport. After the service I pronounced a sentence of de-consecration upon the old church building, which, it was supposed, would soon give place to a splendid new structure; but the plans of the Rector and the Vestry having miscarried, the Chapel is still in use.

Saturday, June 6, 1903, attended a large reception at Helena, given by St. John's Parish on the combined anniversaries of the marriage of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Lockwood and of their coming to Helena. This was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage and the fourteenth of the Doctor's Rectorship of St. John's. It was evident at the reception that the Rector and his family had endeared themselves not only to the church people of Helena, but to the whole community.

Sunday, June 7, 11 a. m., took part in a Thanksgiving Anniversary Service and preached in St. John's Church, Helena. The Rev. R. W. Rhames was present and assisted in the service. Mr. Rhames had been a fellow student with Dr. Lockwood at Seabury Hall, Fairbault, Minn.

As I said upon that happy occasion: "It has been my privilege to have known more or less about many pastors and congregations, and I am glad to bear witness that I have never known a pastor who could say to his people with more propriety than Dr. Lockwood, these words of St. Paul: 'Those things which ye have both learned and received. and heard, and seen in me do; and the God of peace shall be with you.' And I have never known a congregation of which a pastor could more appropriately use the same Apostle's words: 'I thank my God upon every remembrance of you always, in every prayer of mine for you all, making request with joy for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.'" At this service I confirmed one candidate and administered the Holy Communion.

Sunday, June 14, preached and confirmed twelve candidates in Trinity Church, Van Buren. At 10 a. m., 7:30 p. m., preached and confirmed one candidate in St. John's Church, Fort Smith.

Tuesday, June 18, attended a meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions in Little Rock.

Sunday, June 21, preached and confirmed three candidates in St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.

Monday, June 22 to 25, I attended meeting of the Board of Trustees for the University of the South at Sewanee. Owing to my prolonged illness, which left no strength for anything beyond the work of our Diocese, I had not attended the meeting of this board for three years. I was thankful to be able to take my place in it again.

2. VACATION WORK.

From Sewanee I went to my summer home at Galion, Ohio, arriving June 26. This was my headquarters until Oct. 30, when I left for Little Rock, arriving there on the 31st.

I suppose many think that the four months which I spend from year to year at Brownella Cottage, Galion, Ohio, are months of complete relaxation and rest. Let me assure you that your Bishop seldom works less than ten hours per day from one year's end to the other, and that whether he is at Little Rock or Galion he is spending, and being spent for his beloved Diocese. After July 1, there is no visitation work to be done and my other work, of which there is much more than any one who does not know, can dream of, may be done better during the hot months at Galion, than at Little Rock, for it is much cooler there, and I am almost absolutely free from interruptions.

I would be glad to get back by Oct. 1, but the great annual meetings of the Church, such as the Missionary Council, and General Convocation, occur in that month, and it would not be worth while to come down to open the house and go back again.

Galion, Ohio, no doubt, seems a good ways off to you, but the train service is so quick as to make it quite near to Little Rock. I can leave Galion any morning on the "Big Four Southwestern Limited" at 5:45 and be in Little Rock the next morning at 6:50, and there are two other good daily trains which could get me through almost as quickly. Indeed, there are some places in the Diocese, Eureka Springs is one of them, which I can reach almost as soon from Galion as from Little Rock.

You will be glad to know that my arrangements with the new Archdeacon of Arkansas is such as that he will be in the Diocese while I am away, except during the meeting of the Missionary Council, which will never require his absence more than ten or fifteen days. So far as our great Missionary field is concerned, the Archdeacon of the Diocese is practically an assistant Bishop and he does that work much better than it could be done by me, handicapped as I am with so many affairs.

As my health was so much better last summer than it had been during the three preceding summers, I did some preaching on Sundays. In the course of the summer I preached twice at Galion and Detroit, and once each at Mansfield, Cardington, Bucyrus, Upper Sandusky and Shelby. All these places except Detroit, are Ohio towns in the neighborhood of Galion. I also preached three times in Washington, D. C., and once in Wilmington, Del., and made an address to the Chicago Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

3. AUTUMN AND WINTER VISITATIONS.

Sunday Nov. 1, 1903, assisted at morning prayer and preached in the Cathedral at Little Rock.

The Daughters of the King had their Annual Conference this year in the first week of November, at Van Buren. It was my privilege to preach to them on the evening of Nov. 4, and after the service to attend a large and most enjoyable reception tendered to the visiting delegates by the Local Chapter.

I want to say again to the Clergy that they will do well to encourage this organization of Christian women. I would like to see a Chapter of "The Daughters of the King" and of the "Woman's Auxiliary" in every Parish and Mission Station in the Diocese.

While in Washington I attended a Diocesan meeting of the Girl's Friendly Society. I was greatly interested in what I heard of that organization and its work. On that occasion Miss Paddock, a sister of the late Bishops of Massachusetts and the Missionary District of

Washington, made one of the best addresses that I have ever had the privilege of hearing. Subsequently I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Paddock in New York, and I urged her to come our way. If she ever complies with my request, I want to arrange for her to visit the chief Parishes of the Diocese, and I am sure that those who receive and hear her will thank me for the opportunity of doing so.

Sunday, Nov. 8, 11 a. m., assisted at morning prayer and preached in the Cathedral. At 7:30 p. m., I attended evening prayer and preached at Good Shepherd's Church, Forrest City; afterwards I conducted a Parish meeting. The Parish was vacant at the time.

Monday, Nov. 9, had a conference with the Rector and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Newport, about the new Church building project. The Vestry and I had been engaged in a controversial correspondence about the wisdom of building such an expensive Church as they had set their hearts upon, and I had refused to give my consent to the putting of a mortgage upon the lot and Rectory in order to borrow money. But the showing of money raised and of ability to pay the proposed loans was so good that I concluded to yield. I hope and believe that no mistake was made in the case of St. Paul's, Newport, but I want to give notice that this departure from my fixed determination to do all I can to discourage debt making on the part of our Rectors and Vestries, is not to be regarded as a precedent. If the flexible weakness which I manifested at Newport under the swaying, persuasive power of the Rector and Vestry is presumed upon as a characteristic defect in my make up, there is, in nine cases out of ten, very likely to be disappointment and hard feelings. So if you do not want a row with your Bishop, please pay as you go. Cut your garment according to the cloth, and so avoid the necessity of asking him for his consent to mortgaging your Church property.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, to Tuesday, Nov. 17, attended the sessions of the second term of the Arkansas School of Theology. The School met at Batesville and from every point of view it was a most gratifying success. This is now, we hope, a permanent and we believe a useful institution of the Diocese.

Sunday, Nov. 22, kept an appointment of a year's standing with the Rev. Dr. Bowers of Marshall, Texas, to preach a missionary service on the Annual Harvest Home and Missionary Festival established in that Parish. I made an address to the children at 10 a. m., preached the missionary sermon at 11 o'clock a. m., and preached again at 7:30 p. m. The Rector insisted that I should take the collections for missionary work in the Diocese of Arkansas, which amounted to nearly \$50.

The next morning I called with the Rector on some of his parishioners. I was pleased with all I saw of the Church in Marshall. The

congregations were large; the music was fine, and everything contributed to make the day one which will be long remembered pleasantly.

The Church is certainly doing well at Marshall, and I am told that the same is true of all that part of the extensive and promising Diocese of Texas.

Sunday, Nov. 29, 10:30 a. m., preached, confirmed nine candidates and celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Clement's Mission, Arkansas City. 7:30 p. m., preached in the Court House at Monticello.

Sunday, Dec. 6, 10:30 a. m., preached, confirmed three candidates and celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring. 7:30 p. m., preached and celebrated the Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Thayer.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 10:30 a. m., preached, confirmed nineteen candidates and celebrated the Holy Communion at Christ Church, Mena. 7:30 p. m., preached and confirmed two candidates at St. Barnabas's Foreman.

Monday, Dec. 21, 9 a. m., preached and celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Barnabas's, Foreman.

Christmas Day, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Philip's Church, Little Rock.

Sunday, Jan. 17, 1904, 11 a. m., attended missionary service at Christ Church, Little Rock, at which Dean Stuck, of Dallas, Texas, preached a most appropriate, inspiring sermon.

7:30 a. m., preached and confirmed two candidates in the Chapel of the Redeemer, Nashville. 6:30, made an address and celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Redeemer, Nashville.

3 p. m., preached and administered the Holy Communion in Grace Chapel, Washington. 7:30 p. m., preached and confirmed three candidates in Masonic Hall, Fulton. This was my first visit to Fulton. Mr. Temple has deeded us a fine lot, and the prospects are we shall build a chapel there in the course of the new Council year.

4. MY LENTEN WORK AT THE NORTH AND EAST.

As is well known throughout the Diocese an important part of my work consists in securing \$10,000 every year for ten years with which to carry on our extensive missionary work and build up a self-supporting Diocese.

I have a loose understanding with the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society that if I will raise \$4,500 and build five churches, two rectories, and place two new clergymen in the field every year, they will, if possible, give me \$4,500, so that I shall have in all \$10,000 with which in this way to build up a self-supporting Diocese in ten years. I have been spending the greater part of the Lenten seasons at the North and East in efforts to raise that \$4,500 upon which so

much depends, and I have always a little more than succeeded. One year I got nearly \$1,500 more than the requisite amount. But as a rule, I have not come out ahead more than \$200 or \$300. This year I went a little before Lent in order to attend the consecration of the Coadjutor Bishop of New York.

I made my appeals in Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Boston, and in the smaller places in the vicinity of those great cities. The trip was one of unusual interest, so much so as to make it necessary for me to devote a large part of this address to it. But as it would not be appropriate or possible for me to go into that matter in connection with this service, I ask you to let me take it up at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. In this connection, I will simply observe that, though there is some uncertainty about the securing of the \$4,500 this year, yet I have good ground for hope that by a little special effort I shall succeed before the year is up. The Boston episode, of which you have heard so much, has had the effect of making it harder for us to raise the money which we must secure in order to get the conditional appropriation, but I am expecting a reaction in time to prevent serious embarrassment.

Sunday, Jan. 24, commenced the work of raising the \$4,500, which I am obliged to secure from year to year in order to get the \$4,500 conditionally appropriated by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. This day was spent in Scranton, Pa., where I made addresses in the two churches of that interesting city and at one of the Sunday schools.

My last addresses on this fifth of my annual "begging" tours were made in Philadelphia on Sunday, March 20, 1904. I was gone fifty-six days, nine of which were Sundays. On Sundays I made from three to five addresses, and on week days I averaged about one address. I reached home on March 24.

5. SPRING VISITATIONS.

On March 31, 7:30 p. m., preached in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.

April 1, Good Friday. Conducted three hours' service in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.

April 2, 9:30 a. m., preached in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.

April 3, Easter Day, 10:30 a. m., Preached, confirmed eighteen candidates and celebrated the Holy Communion in Trinity Church, Pine Bluff. 7:30 p. m., preached and confirmed fifteen candidates in St. John's Church, Camden.

Sunday, April 10, 11 a. m., preached and confirmed seventeen candidates in the Cathedral, 4 p. m., preached and confirmed eight candidates in St. Paul's Chapel, Little Rock, 7:45 p. m., preached, confirmed thirty-nine candidates in Christ Church, Little Rock.

Sunday, April 17, 10:30 a. m., addressed St. John's Sunday school Helena. 11 a. m., preached, confirmed fourteen candidates and celebrated the Holy Communion. 7:30 p. m., preached and confirmed seven candidates in St. Andrew's Church, Marianna.

Monday, April 18, 9 a. m., had conference with the Vestry of St. Andrew's Church, Marianna. This Parish has had the exclusive services of a resident Rector for a little over a year, and the progress and prospects are highly satisfactory. 4 p. m., confirmed three candidates, preached and administered the Holy Communion at Lexa. This is a part of the Parish of St. John's, Helena, and is the residence of Judge John T. Jones, who, so far as I know, is the oldest communicant of the Episcopal Church in Arkansas. He is in his ninety-first or ninety-second year and is still the fortunate possessor of a sound mind and body.

Sunday, April 24, baptized an infant, preached, confirmed seven candidates and celebrated the Holy Communion in St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.

Tuesday, April 26 to 28, was in attendance upon the Birmingham session of the Conference for Education in the South. I shall have more to say about this interesting Conference this afternoon.

Sunday, May 1, 1904, 9:30 a. m., made an address to St. John's Sunday school, Fort Smith. 11 a. m., preached. 4 p. m., had a conference with the Vestry. 7 p. m., preached. The Rectory has been improved and refurnished to the taste of its bachelor Rector to a suspicious degree.

Friday, May 6, 7 p. m., preached and confirmed nine candidates in Christ Church, Mena. I have confirmed twenty-eight candidates this year at Mena, and six candidates in other parts of the Missionary District of Mena. The Missionary, the Rev. Mr. Treschow, led the Diocese last year in respect to the number of candidates presented for confirmation, and he has done so this year. He has also secured and paid for a Chapel property at Siloam Springs. I regard this showing as being very remarkable.

Sunday, May 8, 7:30 a. m., celebrated the Holy Communion. 11 a. m., preached in Trinity Church, Van Buren. 7:30 p. m., preached and confirmed seven candidates in St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville.

May 9, 2 p. m., preached and confirmed three candidates in St. Stephen's Chapel, Winslow.

This Winslow service concluded my work for the past year so far as official visitations and other recordable acts are concerned. The office work made necessary by the care of all the Churches which cannot be recorded without recounting wearisome details, really constitutes by far the most exacting and burdensome part of the work of the Bishop of this Diocese.

III.

THE ALL-AMERICAN CONFERENCE OF BISHOPS.

In October I attended two great meetings which were held in the Capitol. One of them was the All-American Conference of Bishops, and the other our Missionary Council, which meets every year except the General Convention years. This was the first, but I hope not the last, meeting of the Conference. It opened the 20th and closed on the 25th of October. The majority of the Bishops were from the United States, but Canada was well represented, and the interesting Archbishop of the West Indies was present. I do not know the exact number in attendance, but I should say, at least fifty. The sessions of the Conference were all held behind closed doors, though, of course, there was a public opening and closing service.

The subjects which came up, according to a pre-arranged program for consideration by the conference, were as follows:

(1) The Relation of the Several Branches of the Anglican Communion in America to One Another. (2) Attitude of our Church toward Churches Subject to the Roman Obedience. (3) The Development of Autonomous Churches in Heathen Lands. (4) Development of Uniat Churches in our own Country. (5) Attitude of our Church toward the Protestant Communions around her. (6) Methods of the Church's Work in Evangelizing the Specially Dependent Races in America. (7) Obligation of the Church to Maintain the Christian Family in its Integrity. (8) The Adaptation of the Church's Methods to the Needs of the Twentieth Century. (9) The Inculcation of Political and Commercial Morality and the Maintenance of High Ideals.

It was felt by some of us that there was a little too much in the way of a set program. We would have been glad for a little more freedom to ask for the opinion and advice of our brethren upon subjects in which we happened to be especially interested. Nevertheless, it was a great and highly satisfactory conference of which we shall always have pleasant and profitable remembrances.

IV.

THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The Bishop's Conference closed with a public service on Sunday morning, Oct. 25, and the Missionary Council opened on Tuesday, the 27th. On the intervening Sunday afternoon there was a magnificent outdoor mass meeting on the new Cathedral grounds. The President of the United States made one of the addresses. It was estimated that it was attended by twenty-five thousand people. The procession was a magnificent spectacle, such as has seldom, if ever, been seen in the United States. It was led by a vast choir, composed of all the vested choirs of the city. The instrumental music which

accompanied the singing of the choir was furnished by the famous Marine Band of Washington, the members of which wore vestments. There were hundreds of Clergymen and nearly fifty Bishops in the procession.

No one who had the privilege of attending that great service will ever forget it. The day, the topography of the Cathedral grounds, the view as we looked down upon our superb Capitol, the music, the simple, but dignified service, the addresses, indeed everything contributed to impress it upon one as a dream of something too grand to be real, rather than a memory of a thing that actually happened.

The Bishop of Washington, who is a great man and lovely character, has set his heart upon a great and lovely accomplishment, namely, the building of a great and lovely National Cathedral, in one of the greatest cities and on one of the loveliest situations that the world affords for such a structure. It is a great and lovely vision, the realization of which would do more than any other single thing of which I can think to impress the greatness and loveliness of the Episcopal Church upon the American people. For one, I say, let us have a National Cathedral at Washington, and let every Son and Daughter of the Church in Arkansas be represented in it by some contribution.

V.

THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY.

We have in the Diocese of Arkansas a kind of an institution which has no fixed organization, or name or laws. It simply exists, and does as it pleases. And yet it is one of the most interesting and variously useful things in the Diocese. It could be called a Clericus, a Convocation, a Sociable, a Love-feast, a School, or a Mission, but it is much more than any one of these designations would imply. It is, in fact, a kind of an ecclesiastical hash made up of a good deal of the several things which usually bear these names. It meets once a year, not always at the same place or the same time, for it is in every sense of the term a movable feast.

Last year it met in St. Paul's Church, Batesville, and those of you who were not there cannot imagine what a good thing it really is. It was in session eight days, from Tuesday, Nov. 10, to Tuesday, Nov. 17, inclusive. All the Clergy of the Diocese except two were there during the whole or part of the session, and the two who did not come have no idea of what they missed. I never attended anything from which I derived so much of enjoyment and profit. I do not except even the All-American Conference of Bishops. One reason why everybody enjoys this informal, conglomerate, unique, hashy institution is because there is such a variety to it. "Variety, you know, is the spice of life." I refer particularly to the variety in the speakers and to the variety of subjects which appear on the program, and gives

everybody an opportunity to say something and the subjects cover almost the whole range of theology, morals, philosophy and history. Each Clergyman who attends is for the time-being a professor. We have a professor of Bible History, of Bible Interpretation, of the Prayer Book, of the Systematic Divinity, of Ecclesiastical History, of Moral Philosophy, of the Relation of Science and Religion, and so on through the whole list.

At Batesville there were six or seven lectures daily. In round numbers there were fifty of them. The learned and gifted Dr. Brooke, Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, was with us for three days and added very much of instruction and inspiration to the occasion.

VI.

THE SEWANEE SUMMER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY.

In this connection, I take pleasure in calling the attention of the Clergy to the Summer School of Theology, which has been provided for at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.. The first session is to begin on Monday, Aug. 1, 1904, and continue through four weeks, closing with Saturday, Aug. 27.

There will be about fifteen lectures of one hour each per week by members of the Theological Faculty and other specialists on important subjects. The Rev. Dr. DuBose, the distinguished Dean of the Theological Department of the University, is to take four hours each week.

Those among us who can arrange to take our vacation in August would do well to select Sewanee as the place and to take advantage of this splendid opportunity to "fill up" for the sermonizing work of the year. I especially advise the younger men of the Diocese to attend this school regularly for a few years. The advantage of doing so would be equivalent to a post-graduate course. "The Sewanee Summer School" is, as I understand it, open to Sunday school workers and lay readers.

The Rev. Wm. S. Bishop, Sewanee, Tenn., is the Secretary.

At a meeting of "The Arkansas School of Theology" in St. Paul's Church, Batesville, the Secretary read the announcement of the "Proposed Summer School of Theology at Sewanee, Tenn." The proposition was discussed and many of its advantages and possibilities of great usefulness were mentioned. The Clergy here assembled to express their hearty approval of the undertaking, and asked a committee to report resolutions expressive of their appreciation and its practical use to this Diocese; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this movement is well calculated to meet an ever increasing demand for the supply of Clergy in the great Southwest.

Resolved. That we recommend the adoption of a plan to utilize your summer school for the training of candidates for Holy Orders and other Church workers.

R. W. RHAMES,
C. B. K. WEED,
J. J. CORNISH, *Committee.*

VII.

CLERICAL CHANGES.

I want to say here, because it is right and just that I should say it, that we have been very fortunate in our Archdeacons, and never more so than in the present one. Dr. Williams, whose loss we all regretted so deeply, left us on July 1, and Dr. Lloyd came to us on Sept. 1. He has taken hold of his most important work with a masterful hand and with an enthusiasm and energy which take no account of obstacles and knows no such thing as failure. The Diocese is certainly to be congratulated upon its good fortune in securing such a competent and successful successor to the excellent Dr. Williams.

I am glad in this connection to inform the Council of another good fortune in the way of a Diocesan Missioner which has just come to us in the person of the Rev. Wm. M. Jefferis, D. D., who on April 1, became my private secretary and our Official Missioner of the Diocese. He is to help me by taking charge of the routine work of my office and he is to help the Archdeacon of the Diocese by holding Missions in new places where a special and prolonged series of services and sermon are necessary to increase the membership and interest of a newly organized or weak congregation.

Dr. Jefferis is by the common consent of all to whom I applied for information exceptionally well qualified for this important work. One of the Bishops whom he served as Archdeacon told me that he regarded him as among the best of all the Missioners of the Church in this country. He is said to be especially successful in commending the Church in new communities and in bringing people to confirmation.

As my Chaplain, Dr. Jefferis, will take charge of vacant Missionary Districts and Parishes until a regular incumbent can be secured. This arrangement will prevent the discontinuance of the services and pastoral care, which always sets a work back.

During five months in each year, from the middle of June to the middle of November, Dr. Jefferis will be open to engagements as a Mission Preacher in other Dioceses. This will give him seven months with us during the best part of the year. One of the most fortunate things about it all is that the Doctor is a man of private means and is willing to serve his Master in this part of the Vineyard without money and without price. All that I have obligated myself to him for, is to give him plenty of hard work and \$37.50 for each of the months he is with us.

We all deeply regretted the loss of the Rev. A. A. Robertson, who left St. John's Church, Fort Smith, in July, the Rev. R. W. Rhames, who left St. Paul's Church, Batesville, on Jan. 1, 1904, and the Rev. G. DeWitt Dowling, who left St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs, on Feb. 1, 1904, but we rejoice that we are able to promptly fill these important Parishes respectively by the Rev. Caleb B. K. Weed, the Rev. W. R. Agate and the Rev. Charles H. Kues. The vacancy in Trinity Church, Van Buren, caused by the removal of the Rev. J. B. Whaling to St. Paul's, Fayetteville, was filled to my great delight in December by my old school friend, the Rev. C. C. Leman. The Rev. J. B. C. Beaubien went to St. James's, Eureka Springs, in March. The Rev. George E. Hancock, a Deacon from the Diocese of Lexington, took up the work of Good Shepherd's Church, Forrest City, in December. The Rev. R. A. Heath, a clergyman in English orders, went to the Jonesboro District in February to take the place of the Rev. J. C. France, who on Feb. 1 became the Missionary of the See City. The Rev. J. J. Cornish, of St. Andrew's, Marianna, has just consented to go to Brinkley twice a month for a week-day service. Mr. J. C. Ingham, a candidate for Holy Orders in the Diocese of Missouri, resumed the services at Little St. Andrew's, Mammoth Spring, early in the autumn, and Mr. J. C. Crouse, who expects to become a candidate began lay missionary work at Searcy in March.

I am very proud of the number and quality of our Clergy. I am certainly safe in saying that the Diocese never has been so fully and well manned with Archdeacons, Priests, Deacons, and Lay Missionaries. There is really not a vacancy or a misfit in the Diocese. Exclusive of the Bishop, there are at this moment twenty-three workers in the field. And one of the most hopeful features of the situation is that several of our new men have come with the idea of remaining with us. If they will stay for a few years, and if we can get a few more like them, we shall build up rapidly into a self-supporting Diocese.

The Laity of the Diocese can do a great deal to help in keeping these men and in getting others like them by assisting me in the carrying out of my policy of promoting our own Clergy who have been bearing the burden and heat of the day when our better Parishes are so unfortunate as to fall vacant. I am convinced that the knowledge of this reasonable and equitable policy in part, accounts for the fact that we are having comparatively so little trouble in securing good men.

One of the great problems that every Bishop is called upon to solve is how to get and keep good men. I believe that if the Laity will co-operate with me in the carrying out of my policy not to go out of the Diocese for men with whom to fill vacancies in our better Parishes,

this perplexing problem will be solved in Arkansas to the great benefit of the Church.

I have opportunities of seeing a good deal of the Clergy of other Dioceses and I claim that we have nothing to gain and much to lose by going outside for our chief Rectors.

VIII.

CHURCH WORK AMONG DEAF MUTES.

Within the year still another worker has come to us in the person of the Rev. Oliver John Whilden, General Missionary to the Deaf of the South. Mr. Whilden's headquarters are in Baltimore. He received his appointment in September. Since then he has made two visits to Arkansas, and he hopes to come three times in the course of every twelve months. He is a graduate of the Philadelphia Divinity School and was ordained to the Diaconate and Priesthood by the Venerable Dr. Whittaker, Bishop of Pennsylvania. He is a bright, cheery little man of about thirty-five years of age. I bespeak for him a warm welcome by our Clergy and Laity and a response to his Ephphatha Appeal from year to year. If you know of isolated deaf mutes in your respective communities, I wish you would report them to me so that I may give their addresses to him.

In his report, Mr. Whilden says: "During the first visit I made several addresses to the pupils of the School for the Deaf in Little Rock, preached to nearly a hundred Deaf Mutes in the Cathedral and also preached to some fifteen Deaf Mutes in St. John's Church, Fort Smith. The incidents of the second visits were much the same, viz: addressing the pupils in their Chapel, conducting their prayer meetings, visiting them in their school rooms, etc. I also preached to the deaf at a service in Christ Church, Little Rock, and at Fort Smith the following evening. After the service at St. John's, Fort Smith, I met the deaf socially. In addition to this I married a deaf mute couple at Argenta, Ark. I have every reason to think that the visits were mutually pleasant and helpful. I wish to thank you for the pleasant hour I spent at your home and to add that Dean Robottom, Rev. Mr. Weed and Rev. Mr. Smeade received me very kindly and were very helpful. I only wish these visits could be more frequent, but the field is so large I fear it will not be possible to make more than three each year. I depend, to a large extent, upon the offerings at the services, and contributions from Rectors and friends for my support. Some of the Dioceses have shown an inclination to make small allowances of 25 or \$50 a year. I know that all the Dioceses of the South would gladly come to the support of the work were it not that they are already heavily burdened with the necessity of carrying on their own missionary work. Each year in the latter part of May I send out my 'Ephphatha Appeal' for the support of the work. The

responses last year enabled me to do a great deal of work, and I am hopeful that the answers to my forthcoming appeal will be equally generous."

An old friend of mine, the Rev. Mr. Mann, who is the General Missionary to the deaf mutes of the Middle Northern States, has recently called my attention to a fact, which is worth noting. He says: "Deaf mutes are too few for denominational divisions. It should be realized that one Church can very well attend to their spiritual needs and at far less expense. To illustrate: In a city of 50,000 population will be found about twenty grown up deaf mutes; and at least as many conflicting religious bodies. At once, from a financial point of view, the utter needlessness of division becomes apparent. But the other evils cannot be enumerated here. It would help greatly for Rectors and Church people to make these facts known at every opportunity, to the hearing kindred and friends of this seriously isolated class of the community."

IX.

CHURCH WORK AMONG THE BLIND.

You will be glad to know that the Church has not forgotten the Blind. There is an organization which was effected by the Bishop of Pennsylvania in Jan., 1903, entitled "The Society for Church Work Among the Blind." Its Secretary is Miss Amelia Sanford, School for the Blind, 63rd and Lancaster Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

This Society is expecting to print, in raised letters which can be read by the touch, the chief services of the Prayer Book, the Collects, Epistles and Gospels, the Psalms and all the Hymnal. As this kind of printing is bulky, it will require several volumes to cover all this ground. Some of the Prayer Book and Hymnal Volumes are finished.

No volume is to cost more than \$150. All of the Prayer Book and Hymnal volumes are to come within \$10.

The Society is trying to get annual subscriptions for its noble work ranging from \$1 to \$5. Perhaps some of you have a Parish, Guild, Bible Class, or an individual who will become a subscriber.

X.

A NATIVE MINISTRY.

One hopeful feature about the outlook is the prospect of a native Ministry. We have one Postulant for Holy Orders who was born in Arkansas. He is a gifted, highly respected young man in whom I am centering a good deal of hope. Arkansas has contributed very little towards the increase of the Ministry, and yet I doubt whether there is another Diocese in the country the Sunday Schools of which contain a larger proportion of bright boys who would make high grade Clergymen. I wish that our Rectors, Sunday School officers and teachers

would keep the Church's need of self-sacrificing, competent Ministers before the boys who come under their influence. We seem to be having less difficulty than many Dioceses in getting Ministerial workers, but as time goes on, a native Ministry will become more and more desirable and necessary. If you will persuade the right kind of boys and young men to offer themselves, I will do all I can to open the way for them to take the splendid course of preparation which is provided by the several schools at the University of the South. Let Bishops, Rectors, parents and teachers work together for a native Ministry and I believe that it will be forthcoming.

XI.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Owing to illness it was not my privilege to attend the first General Convention of the American Episcopal Church held in the Twentieth century and on the Pacific coast.

I was indebted to Major Roots, as I believe all the Clergy of Arkansas and also some of the Laity were for the San Francisco Daily Chronicle which contained excellent accounts of the proceedings of the convention and of the meetings and social events connected with it. I was of course glad to note that the local papers constantly spoke in the highest terms of the personnel of the convention, and did not hesitate to say that of all the great religious and other conventions which have met at the Golden Gate, none impressed the community as a whole so profoundly or did it so much good.

Nor will it be out of place for me to say that it has been with great satisfaction, and I hope, pardonable pride, that I have frequently heard that the Arkansas delegation was constantly found in its place, and attracted attention not only for its wise and conservative voting, but also for the well considered, short and helpful speeches which one or two of its members made. I have reason to believe that our San Francisco delegation did us much credit, and good, and I hope that the Council will send as strong and as representative a delegation to Boston this autumn.

I also hope that our Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will be duly represented at Boston. There is no Diocese in the country whose Auxiliary has better material to select from than Arkansas and it would personally afford me much gratification if the Auxiliary should be properly represented, both as to its delegates to the Triennial meeting of the Auxiliary and as to its contribution to the united offering.

XII.

THE BROTHERHOOD ANNIVERSARY.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is to commemorate the Twenty-first Anniversary of its organization and hold its Nineteenth Annual



Convention in the City of Philadelphia, on Sep. 29, 30 and Oct. 1 and 2, and the Brotherhood of that City of Brotherly Love is naturally desirous of making the most of the occasion.

Its committee has requested me to call attention to this interesting meeting at our Council and do what I can to secure the attendance of a delegation from Arkansas.

As the General Convention meets on Oct. 5, in Boston, I have concluded to go via Philadelphia for the purpose of the Brotherhood Convention, and it has occurred to me that perhaps others of the Arkansas delegation to the General Convention might find it possible to do the same.

I hope that this may be the case, for I should like to develop more interest in the Brotherhood in the Diocese. I regret very much that we have so few chapters, and that the few we have are manifesting so little life.

XIII.

PAN ANGLICAN MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The Washington Conference of Bishops was confined to Bishops of the Anglican who have jurisdiction in the Western Hemisphere. This was its first session and it was not settled that we shall make it a permanent institution with periodical meetings. If it should come together in the future at regular intervals, it is not likely that we shall be confined to any particular place of meeting. But there is a regularly established conference to which all the Bishops of the Anglican Communion throughout the world are invited. It meets as nearly as circumstances will permit every tenth year, and always at Lambeth Palace, London, and is presided over by the Archbishop of Canterbury. My understanding is that the next session of the Lambeth Conference is to be held in the year 1907.

The United Boards of Missions of the Provinces of Canterbury and York have determined to seize the opportunity of the presence of so many Bishops in London to hold a great Missionary Congress in which the whole of the Anglican Communion shall be represented by delegates and an united offering for Missions.

Now that the United Boards have concluded to hold a Pan-Anglican Missionary Council, they wish our cooperation in making it a success. If we take favorable action, as I trust we shall, it will then be incumbent upon us to appoint a committee to draft a reply and to elect a secretary whose duty it shall be to receive and answer any letters with which we may be favored by the secretaries of the United Boards.

It occurs to me that a good committee would be the Archdeacon of the Diocese and the Canons of the several Convocations with the Bishop's Chaplain as secretary. If the Council concludes to commit the Diocese to the scheme, I shall be glad to appoint this or any other committee which it may authorize.

XIV.

GENERAL CLERGY'S RELIEF FUND.

I have a communication from the Rev. Alfred J. P. McClure, Assistant Treasurer and Financial Agent of the General Clergy's Relief Fund, requesting that the following card shall be ordered by our Council to appear prominently in its Journal: namely,

"THE GENERAL CLERGY'S RELIEF FUND,
"GEORGE C. THOMAS,
"Treasurer"

Will Title "The Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of the Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America."

"Remit to

"REV. ALFRED J. P. McCLURE,
"Assistant Treasurer,"

"The Church House, 12th and Walnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

The letter states that this action is requested for the following reasons:

First—Because the Fund is the National and Official Organization of the whole Church, created by its representatives for doing a work in each Diocese.

Second—Because the Fund stands upon absolutely the same basis in the General Canons and legislation of the Church as the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society and requires the same recognition.

Third—Because pensions and annuities are asked for and granted in every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, and therefore it is to the interest of each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction to assist in giving all the information and publicity possible.

Fourth—Because Churchmen everywhere who are interested in the General work of the Church requires this information.

As the Clergy Relief Fund is a general institution of the Church into which we have merged our Diocesan Fund and as the request is made by the unanimous vote of its Board of Managers I hope that it will be granted and that the card will have a conspicuous place in the Journal or one of its covers.

XV.

THE AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION.

I am glad to say that the Council already has made provision for calling attention to another General Fund of the Church, namely: "The American Church Building Fund Commission." It comes in for one of the regular annual collections recommended by the Council.

This fund has been giving me \$100 for each Church that we build in our Mission Field free of debt. We are, therefore, under special obligations to do what we can for it, and I hope that our congregation will send in liberal collections as often as possible.

XVI.

DIOCESAN SCHOLARSHIP.

As is well known, we have no Diocesan educational institutions, and as the salaries paid to our Clergy are small, the problem of providing for the education of their children is a difficult one. After giving considerable thought to the subject I have concluded that I shall not undertake, for the present, at least, to establish high grade schools, but to do what I can to send the boys and girls of our poorly paid Clergy to Sewanee and Columbia, Tennessee.

If I had \$200,000 at my disposal, I would establish a first class school for the boys of Arkansas, and another for the girls, and \$200,000 would not be a cent too much to procure the requisite buildings and endowments for such schools. There would be comparatively little use for them unless they were sufficiently endowed to enable our people to educate their children at a per capita cost of from \$100 to \$300 per year. But I doubt whether there is a place in all the United States where schools which would make this possible would do more good than they would in the City of Little Rock.

At present we can only dream about schools for the education of the children of the Diocese generally, and try to support the few scholarships at Sewanee and Columbia on behalf of the boys and girls of our clerical families, and candidates for the Ministry.

Last Autumn I requested the Parochial Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary to support a Scholarship at "The Columbia Institute" for the education of the daughters of Arkansas Clergymen. Nearly all of the Branches have responded favorably. The following is the list of the amounts which I have asked of each Branch respectively:

Christ Church, Little Rock.....	\$40 00
St. John's Church, Helena.....	40 00
Trinity Church, Pine Bluff.....	25 00
The Cathedral, Little Rock.....	25 00
St. Paul's Church, Fayetteville.....	20 00
Trinity Church, Van Buren.....	20 00
St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.....	20 00
St. Paul's Church, Batesville.....	20 00
St. John's Church, Camden.....	15 00
St. Paul's Church, Newport.....	15 00
St. Andrews Church, Marianna.....	10 00
Good Shepherd's Church, Forrest City.....	10 00
Immanuel Church, Lake Village.....	5 00

Christ Church, Little Rock, Jr. Branch Woman's A. . . .	5 00
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Jr. Branch Woman's A. . .	5 00
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Jr. Branch Woman's A. . .	5 00

XVII.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The following is a complete list of the persons confirmed by me in the Diocese of Arkansas within the Council year, 1903-1904.

Arkansas City, St. Clement's Mission, Nov. 29, 1903.—Charles Collins Hemingway, Thomas Farewell Hemingway, Thomas Scarborough Shields, Arnold Taylor Shields, Leonard Philip Reitzammer, Anna May Reitzammer, Rose Strangham, Henry Fred Kroeger. Dec. 31, Desha, Henrietta Kimball.

Batesville, St. Paul's Church, ————— Mr. James Perry Adams, Mrs. Edith Handford Adams, Mrs. Edna Milliford Fortney, Mr. Francis Joseph Smith, Mr. John Gip Fessenger, Mr. Ralph Ewing Warner, Mr. Charles Earnest Kealer, Mr. Thomas John Barb, Miss Sallie Ingus Dorsey, Miss Mary Lew Dorsey, Miss Marrin Ruth Lewis, Miss Helen Floid Albright, Miss Joseph William Case, Miss Chloe Marie Ruddell, Miss Mary Ann Mitchell, Miss Ruth Albert.

Camden, St. John's Church, Easter Day, Evening Service, April 10, 1904.—Alice Goodwille Holmes, Mrs. Martha Orianna Cloera, Miss Nettie Evline Avera, Mrs. Flora Alice Gibson, Lenora Inez Gibson, Frederick Jordon Trusdail, Harry Wilson Stewart, Mary Elizabeth Smith, Mrs. Alice Margaretta Johnson, Mildred May Johnson.

Dermott, Nov. 30, 1903.—Robert Lee Woolfolk.

Dumas, Dec. 1, 1903.—Mrs. Ida Virginia Tichenor, Miss Sally Florence Tichenor, Mrs. Fanny Hall Porter, Mrs. Mary Idella Ridgeway, Mrs. Josie Willis, Miss Mattie Ashley Watkins.

Fayetteville, St. Paul's Church, May 7, 1904.—Alpha Goss, Nora Wilson, Annie Cooper, Mariam Feathers, Fannie Wood, Julia Blackburn, Margaret Wilson.

Foreman, St. Barnabas's Mission, Dec. 20, 1903.—Robert Shaver Williams, Miss Ocie Ola Bell.

Fort Smith, St. John's Church, May 17, 1903.—Lue D. Martin.

Forrest City, Good Shepherd's Church, Nov. 7, 1903.—Mrs. Pauline Goddard, Miss Norma Rollwage, Miss Gertrude Walton, Miss Ruth Hatcher, Miss Elizabeth Gatling.

Fulton, Jan. 1904.—Annie Josephine Allen, Sidney Eugenia Allen, Adele Corine Anderson.

Jonesboro, St. Mark's Church, May 19, 1903.—Mrs. Pearl E. France, Miss Myra Pearl Grant, Eugene Lawrence Hudson, Mrs. Bertha Conger.

Helena, St. John's Church, June 7, 1903.—Mr. Wilmer Lay Kingsbury. April 17, 1904.—Mr. Marshall Keith Key, Mr. Robert Welman

Nicholls, Miss Maggie Tappan Govan, Miss Annie Rooney Upshaw, Miss Evelyn Baker Short, Mr. Stuart Faulkner, Miss Evan Bogert Chew, Mr. Arthur Mullergren, Mr. Polk Agee, Mr. Hugh Rolston.

Lexa, Phillips County, near Helena, April 18.—Mrs. Ariel Idella Hottel Gist, Mr. Nathaniel Jones Graves, Mrs. Carrie May Hanley Graves.

All of the above belong to St. John's Parish, Helena, Ark.

Confirmed at St. John's Church, Helena, Arkansas and names not printed in Journal of 1903, Miss Sarah Godfrey Short, Miss Eugenia Bennett Sliger, Mrs. Elizabeth Coleman Essertier.

Hope, St. Mark's Church, Arthur Alexander Gibson. (Judge Gibson was confirmed on the last day of the Thirty-first Diocesan Council at Little Rock, Arkansas.)

Hot Springs, St. Luke's Church, June 21 1903.—Mrs. Lily L. Sill, Miss Stella Sill, Mrs. Rector.

Hot Springs, St. Luke's Church, April 24, 1904.—Samuel Work Garratt, Charles Edward Garratt, Donald Huntley Bancroft, Edgar Wheeler Barnett, Chester Thames Klein, Miss Mary Elizabeth Cartney, Miss Ula Ammon Gable.

Little Rock, Christ Church, April 10, 1904.—Mrs. Ann Simpson, Mrs. Dora Thompson, Miss Pearlina May Davis, Miss Caroline Louisa Gibson, Miss Cravens Hollenberg, Miss Joe Evans, Mrs. E. R. Waters, Miss Elizabeth Peay Bohlinger, Mrs. D. E. King, Mr. Jas. Henry Duggins, Mrs. Claudia Blair Duggins, Mrs. Addie Ricord Allen, Mrs. Clara Marie Hoeltzel, Mrs. Mattie Estelle Allen, Mrs. Annie L. Suite, Miss Olive Marguerite Brod, Miss Ella Burrow Hartman, Miss Kate Claire Martin, Mr. Carl Scholtz, Mrs. Carl Scholtz, Mrs. Arthur Jones, Mrs. Juliet Marie Manire, Frank Barron Fletcher, Wm. Hobson Reaves, Sterling Price Bond, Charles Embrey Nixon, Chas. A. Lamberton, Jr., Harry Routhac Blount, Claude Hughes Hartman, Albert Smith King, Mr. William Dill.

Little Rock, Trinity Cathedral, April 10, 1904.—Confirmed 17.

Little Rock, St. Paul's Chapel, April 10, 1904.—Edwin Charles Himstedt, Mrs. Caroline Himstedt, his wife, Maybelle Lee Humphreys, Irene Humphreys, Mabel Jones, Essie Webster, Irma Yates, Bertha Cooper.

Mammoth Spring, St. Andrew's Mission, Dec. 27, 1903.—Mrs. Audley Matthewson States, Miss Metta Glen Elmore, Mr. William Charles Elmore.

Marianna, St. Andrew's Church, April 17, 1904.—Mr. John Eberle Stevenson, Miss Mary Virginia Stevenson, Mr. Charles Joseph Gregory, Mrs. Harriett Lee Gregory, Miss Carrie Louise Ford, Miss Mildred Hewitt Ford, Miss Rowena Stirling Cornish.

Mena, Christ Mission, Dec. 20, 1903.—John Wesley Worrell, Leigh Scarborough, Arthur Ward Quarrier, Mrs. Belle Bradley, Edward

Bradley, Miss Bert Maurice Parker, Clarence Parker, Carl Parker, Charles Morris, James David Shaver, John Henry Austin, Annie Emma Austin, Ella Myrtle Austin, Elizabeth Josephine Armstrong, John Fairfield Todd, Hattie Todd, Burt Todd, John Barrey Anderson, James Hoyt.

Mena, Christ Church, May 6, 1904.—Mayo Robertson, Arthur J. Brodie, Mrs. Arthur J. Brodie, Laura Annie Parker, James Parker, George Frederick Richner, John George Clendenning, Harry Ivan Davis, James Elbert Emmert.

Nashville, Church of the Redeemer Mission, January, 1904.—Samuel Adams Rodgers, Louise Old.

Newport, St. Paul's Church, January 6, 1904.—G. W. Hurley.

Pine Bluff, Trinity Church, Easter Sunday, 1904.—Miss Eunice Bumgarner, Miss Belle Evans, Miss Alice Hutchins, Miss Octavia Hunter, Miss Minnie McGaughy, Miss Carrie Bocage, Miss Pauline Pool, Mrs. Margaret Malina Lane, Mrs. Martha Routh, Mrs. Charles O. Abernathy, Mrs. Mary Ida Anderson, Mr. Robert Wales, Mr. Frank Dabney Wilson, Mr. Edmund Robinson, Mr. George M. Geier, Mr. Henry Scull, Mr. Lawrence Thompson, Mr. John Cadwaller Evans.

Siloam Springs, Dec. 18, 1903.—Miss Eliza Mary Gibson, Commodore Chandler, Miss Susan Elizabeth Bloomfield, Miss Anna Mary Bloomfield.

Van Buren, Trinity Church, June 14, 1903.—Norman Price Moore, James Ashwell Quarles, James Anderson Matthews, Drewery Matthias Johnson, Mrs. Gertrude May Doolittle, Mrs. Eugenia Carr, Mary Elizabeth Pernot, Richard L. Kelton, Edith Gaunt, Richard Henry Coombs, John Coombs, Diva, Fontaine.

Winslow, St. Stephen's Chapel, May 9, 1904.—Mrs. Maggie Viola Marley, Elsie Wileman Maitland, Wm. Henry Lambdin.

PART II.

AN EXPLANATORY AND HISTORICAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE BOSTON INCIDENT.

I.

PREFATORY.

Since the last meeting of the Council, our little Diocese, and especially your humble Bishop, have been the center of a storm of newspaper criticism which commenced at Cleveland, Ohio, and culminated at Boston, Massachusetts. In order that you may understand how it all came about, and that the way may be prepared for my defense of what we have said and done, the following statement of facts is necessary:

As is well known not only in Arkansas, but throughout the Church in the United States, our Diocese has, at my suggestion, and I trust under the guidance of the Holy Ghost, undertaken to make some provision for the accomplishment of a greater and better work by the Episcopal Church among the 400,000 Negroes of this state.

I have been at work on the problems involved in this undertaking from the time I came among you, nearly six years ago. Before coming to Arkansas in July, 1898, as the Coadjutor Bishop, I had never been south of Louisville, Kentucky. Accordingly, I thought it wise not to give expression to my Northern convictions on the vexed colored question until I had made it the subject of prolonged and careful study.

In 1900, I requested the Council to appoint two Clergymen, two Laymen, and two Laywomen to serve as an Advisory Committee to me in any work among the 400,000 colored people of the Diocese that I might find it possible to undertake. After much consultation with the members of this Committee, all of whom were men and women who for their natural endowments, culture and religious character are the equals of any persons whom I have ever had the privilege of meeting, I made up my mind that if the Church is ever to do any extensive and satisfactory work among the colored people of Arkansas, we must have two Councils, one for white Churchmen and one for colored Churchmen.

Accordingly in 1902, I recommended that a Convocation for the colored Clergy and Lay Delegates be provided for. Two Delegates, one Clergyman and one Layman, voted against the measure, not because they objected to it upon principle, but because they thought that the only colored Clergymen and congregation in the Diocese at the time should be first persuaded to volutarily withdraw from the Council, and ask for the organization of the proposed Convocation.

As soon as practicable after the adjournment of the Council, the matter was taken up with that Clergyman and the congregation, and both freely requested that separate organizations might be effected. At our last Council their request was complied with, there being three dissenting voices. Only one of the dissenters voted against the proposed legislation on principle, and he was a Northern man, a Clergyman who had been down here less than a year, and was really not entitled to a vote he was not canonically resident in Arkansas.

This action of our Council was published in the Church papers and, of course, it attracted the general attention of Colored Churchmen. On Oct. 1, I received the following communication from the Secretary of the Conference of colored Church workers.

1133 Park Ave., Baltimore, Md., Sep. 26, 1903.

RT. REV. AND DEAR BISHOP:

As directed by the Conference I herewith forward to you the enclosed document which will explain itself.

Very respectfully yours,
GEORGE F. BRAGG, JR.,
Secretary.

The following is a copy of the document:

"With regard to recent legislation in the Diocese of Arkansas with respect to the colored work, the following was adopted by the late Conference of the Church Workers among the Colored People.

"*Whereas*, the Diocese of Arkansas has, in convention assembled, excluded by regular enactment the Colored Clergy and Laity from membership therein, and

"*Whereas*, the adoption of such a plan denies to colored Churchmen their inherent ecclesiastical rights and will have the effect of keeping the colored people out of the Church: be it, therefore

"*Resolved*, that the Conference of Church Workers among the Colored People, in its Nineteenth Annual Session, unqualifiedly deplores and condemns the action of the Diocese of Arkansas, and earnestly requests all fair minded Church people to use their influence to prevent the spread of such legislation in the Church, and to plainly and forcibly express their disapproval of the action of the Diocese of Arkansas, as will lead to a reconsideration of its unjust and uncatholic procedure.

"*Resolved Further*, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Bishop of Arkansas, the House of Bishops and the Church Papers."

A few days before the publication of this document by the Church Press "The Cleveland Plain Dealer," on Sep. 17, sent a representative to interview me upon the rather touchy subjects of Southern color line drawing and lynchings.

The Associated Press' condensed version of what I was reported to have said in "The Cleveland Plain Dealer" interview upon the subject of lynching and concerning the necessity of drawing the color line about the ecclesiastical field, as well as the social and political fields, spread over the North like wildfire and issued in so many condemnatory editorials and resolutions that for weeks afterwards I hardly had the courage to look a Christian squarely in the face.

One of the effects of this agitation against me was the immediate and indignant withdrawal of the support of some of our missionary benefactors, who notified me that, owing to my "un-Christian" opinions on the subject of "lynching," and the "un-Christian action" of my Diocese in drawing the color line around its Annual Council, I need not look for any more contributions from them.

For the same reasons some among the Clergy of Boston and vicinity with whom I had appointments to speak of our Missionary needs and opportunities, notified me that there would be no use in my attempting to get any assistance from their people, and cancelled their engagements. Others of whom I requested a hearing more or less bluntly refused to let me in, and some went so far as to protest to the Bishop of Massachusetts against my being permitted to come to the Diocese for the purpose of keeping any appointments.

So great was the prejudice and stir against me that the good Bishop felt it necessary to appoint a committee of five Clergymen to consider the whole question and to advise him as to whether or not he should give me the freedom of his Diocese for the making of any appeals. After this committee had made its report, the Bishop kindly opened the door to me by a letter in which he pointed out the difference between the views which obtain with him and myself and with the people of our respective Dioceses. But I was required, as a condition of my coming, to send a copy of that letter to all the Clergy in whose parishes I had appointments. My compliance with this requirement resulted in other withdrawals, further criticism of me and my Diocese, and in making it more difficult for me to secure new appointments.

Naturally all this contributed to increase the necessity of an explanation on my part. One distinguished Rector wrote requesting that my address to his people should consist of an explanation of the action of my Diocese and of my views relative to the Negro problem. Another notified me that he would have to precede my address in his Church by an explanation of the difference in the Massachusetts and Arkansas points of view.

You will readily see that under the circumstances I had to do one or two things, either cancel my engagements in Boston and vicinity or defend myself and Diocese. It seemed to me that the adoption of the first of these alternatives would be a cowardly running away and admission of wrong. Besides something had to be done to stop the withdrawal of our missionary benefactors and the refusal of the Rectors to give me a hearing, or our extensive missionary work would necessarily come to a standstill for the lack of the requisite funds with which to carry it on.

The time and place of the defense being fixed upon to the satisfaction of all who were consulted, among whom was the Bishop of Massachusetts, by a personal note I invited to it all the Church Clergy and also the editors of Boston. The Clergy were requested to invite members of their respective congregations who were known to be especially interested in the race problem. It was not my intention that any Negroes or reporters should be present. But a white

Clergyman who had a colored congregation felt free to read my letter to his people; and the editors, instead of coming in person, regarded themselves as at liberty to send members of their reportorial staffs. These unfortunate misunderstandings and blunders, that gave a public instead of a private character to my defense which was in the form of a carefully prepared written lecture on "The American Negro Problem," account for a great deal of the excitement which followed it.

All that I said in the lecture may be summed up in the following assertions, namely: that the American Negro is inferior to the Anglo-Saxon American, that speaking generally he is degenerating, especially is this true of the women of the race, that the colored people of the South must have the hand of the Southern white people in order to get out of the mire of degradation into which they have sunk since the Civil War; that this hand cannot and will not be extended until the color line has been closely drawn around the political, social and even ecclesiastical fields; that the Negro is not and cannot be prepared to take a helpful part in the government of the United States; that the religion of the Negro is in great part fetichism because it does not inculcate morality; that the Episcopal Church on account of its sober, ethical system is well calculated to meet the moral needs of the Negro; that we, as a Church, are doing very little for him, and never will do much more, until we have colored Bishops and separate jurisdictions, Local Councils, and General Conventions.

In regard to my much condemned utterances upon the subject of lynching, when all I said at Cleveland and Boston is taken into account and fairly interpreted it simply amounts to this, that they do unfortunately lynch at the South and they also lynch in the North; that the lynchings of the South are more excusable than those of the North, and that, therefore, Northerners should not criticise the Southerners in this matter until they set them a better example.

I closed that section of my lecture in the following words: "In conclusion, let me disavow any intention of advocating lynching. My object in the interview was to say a word to my Cleveland friends which would show them how inconsistent and unreasonable are the criticisms which Northerners often make against their Southern Brethren. I had no idea that what I said would find its way into the Associated Press, and be misunderstood throughout the North."

This, as I understand my own words, is in substance all that I said about lynching. nothing more or nothing less. In all my private correspondence and public utterances I expressly disavowed any intention of advocating this dreadful form of punishment. As a great part of the newspaper criticisms of the lecture were based upon my utterances on this subject I leave you to judge of their justice.

I am afraid that modern journalism is altogether too much given to the sacrifice of truth and justice upon the altar of sensation. This fear is based upon the sensational reports not only upon what I had to say upon the subject of lynching but upon other topics as well. Take for instance my remarks upon the present financial conditions and future prospects of Arkansas. As I was making appeals for missionary aid, I naturally called attention to the fact that, as matters now stand, we are financially the poorest state in the Union, our banking credit being only 4.86 per capita, the lowest in all the United States. But in another connection I always spoke with much enthusiasm of the splendid outlook of our state and the rapid development which is in progress. Now it is a significant as well as an exasperating fact that in every instance the reporters took note of what I said about our poverty, and sometimes they grossly exaggerated it, and never said anything about our natural resources and bright prospects.

II.

THE DUTY OF PREVENTING LYNCHING.

I do not say that I will never change my mind in respect to any of the positions I take in my lecture on the "American Negro Problem." When I get settled at Galion, Ohio, for the summer I expect to read all the newspaper clippings, pamphlets and books which have been sent to me. They may, and I hope they will, do more than I can now imagine in the direction of favorably modifying my views respecting the present condition and future prospect of the Negro. But up to date I cannot see that there is a single word of my lecture that I can honestly retract.

The storm of criticism which I have been obliged to weather for a long time, centered around an assumption which is not true, namely: that I "advocate" lynching for the nameless crime which accounts for the origin and continuance of this dreadful form of punishment in the South. This gratuitous assumption is due to the fact that I did not condemn lynching for the heinous crime in question; and that I did apologize for those among my adopted people, who, as a necessary, precautionary measure, or as the result of maddening rage, take the law into their own hands by the summary punishment of the fiends of lust who overpower helpless women or girls.

But I submit that when the circumstances under which my utterances on this subject were delivered in Cleveland and Boston are taken into account, the fact that they were apologetic instead of condemnatory does not afford sufficient ground for the assertion that I "advocate" lynching. I did indeed place mob violence and revolutionary movements upon much the same footing and contended that it is justifiable when necessary to self protection. Moreover, I went so far as to intimate

that a resort to it in the South was probably a necessity in the dreadful reconstruction period, and might possibly still be so under exceptional circumstances. But I could intimate or even plainly say all this without laying myself liable to just condemnation for the advocacy of mob violence in communities where normal conditions prevail.

If the Reporter had condemned Northerners as well as Southerners for mob violence, the public would have had the right to expect of me some utterance concerning the duty, under all normal conditions, of discouraging the punishment of criminals by the mob and of leaving them to be dealt with by duly constituted officers and courts. But the occasion called for remarks bearing upon the precious character of the rare jewel of consistency, not upon the evils of mob violence. So I naturally straightened up in dignified resentment and proceeded to point out in pretty plain and emphatic language that the good people of the South, as well as the good people of the North, regret the lawless punishment of criminals; that the lynching of Negroes at the North is proportionately as frequent as at the South; that if there is any excuse for resort to such dangerous lawlessness, Southerners have the advantage of it because the element of self protection enters into the question at the South as it does not at the North.

But while in the interest of consistency I said all this to our Northern critics, and while I still and probably ever shall adhere to every word of it, yet I want to say to you, my dear adopted people and spiritual children, that the criticisms, notwithstanding their unjust and uncharitable character should be duly considered by us. The criticisms of those who differ with us usually have more or less of truth in them as well as injustice. This being the case if we really wish to make the most of life and do our best in the great work of character building, which is the greatest work any man or woman ever undertook, we often will entertain towards those who severely and unjustly criticise us feelings of gratitude rather than resentment, because they have directed our attention to mistakes and faults and suggested lines of improvement of which we had lost sight or were ignorant.

Personally I feel under great obligation to our critics because the rough handling which I have received from them has had the good effect of working me up to a realization of the great dangers and evils connected with an habitual resort to mob violence, and of the duty of one occupying my place to do all that he can to prevent it, and to uphold the majesty of the law. I now realize as I never did before that the good citizens of Arkansas and of the South generally should, on many accounts, band themselves together for the double purpose of preventing lynchings whenever it is possible to do so, and of eliminating the barbarous features of torture and burning in unpreventable cases of mob violence. It would be, I am fully convinced,

to the great honor of Christianity if the Delegates to this Council, before separating, were to form themselves into some kind of association with these noble ends in view. I would not advise that we do this as Churchmen so much as citizens. Let us in some way set on foot a movement which will be comprehensive enough to include all who have the honor of our great State, and the promotion of humane and elevating principles and measures at heart.

It seems to me that an organization of this kind should not only try to influence white men, but that it should work among the good Negroes of the State with a view of persuading them to do all they can to prevent the crime which lies at the root of the Southern lynch law, and to assist officers to discover and bring criminals to justice. I am sorely apprehensive that we shall never be able to wholly do away with lynchings at the South until the awful crime which, more than anything else accounts for its existence and continuance, is of comparatively rare occurrence.

One of the objects of the existence of the suggested organization should be to secure such reforms in our judiciary system as will tend to prevent mob violence. The legal gentlemen of the Council will know how much, if any, relief can be secured in that direction.

Again the organization should advocate the adoption of stringent vagrancy laws and see that they are enforced. The lazy, idle Negroes are generally the criminals. I am told by those who have long been deeply interested in the welfare of the Negro and studied the matter, that if he is regularly employed he seldom goes wrong.

Another object of the proposed organization of citizens, who have the good and honor of our State at heart, should be to reduce all the chief forms of lawlessness to which the Negro is especially prone, by making provision for his proper education.

A large part of the criticism elicited by my lecture related to my assertion that the Negro as a whole is growing worse instead of better. I have read and heard a great many statistics and arguments which are supposed by those who make use of them, to more or less conclusively prove the falsity of what is characterized as an outrageous and un-Christian arraignment of the colored race.

But, though I have heard nothing that has changed my mind, so far as the great majority of the Negroes are concerned, I have learned much that tends to convince me that the elevation of the Negro, though an Herculean task, is not quite as hopeless as I thought at the time I wrote my lecture. I have been greatly influenced in the direction of hopefulness by a statement to the effect that not one of all the graduates of Hampton, Virginia, or Tuskegee, Alabama, has committed the heinous crime against women, and that only a very small percentage of them have ever been convicted of felony.

If such statistics are really true, and I have no reason to doubt their reliability, they point out a clear duty, namely: the multiplication of such institutions as the Hampton and Tuskegee Institutes. Arkansas should have at least twenty-five of them, and this is true of all the Southern States. Of course, it will require many years for a State as poor as ours to make adequate provision for the education of 400,000 Negroes. But a beginning should be made at once. One of the very first efforts of the proposed organization should be to get a General Armstrong or Booker Washington to begin this Hampton-Tuskegee educational work in Arkansas.

III.

THE EDUCATION OF THE SOUTHERN NEGRO.

The subject of the education of the Southern Negro is one of the biggest among the bones of contention between the North and South. There is nothing which brings the flush of resentment to the face of Northern and Southern disputants so quickly as this question of Negro Education. When it comes up it is difficult for the Southerner to get a word in edgewise because the Northerner talks so fast, continuously and loud, about the wonderful effect that education has had, is having and will have upon the black race.

And yet, there is really no difference of opinion between intelligent Northern and Southern people in regard to the fact that the Negro should be educated. The parting of ways is at the point where the kind of education which is most needed by the Negro comes up for consideration. Northern theorists and philanthropists have generally maintained that he should have the same kind of education as the sons and daughters of the white people and to a limited degree they are undoubtedly correct. Certainly every Negro should be educated to talk, read and write well and to make such ordinary mathematical computations as are needed in every day life.

But beyond this, education, in the sense of intellectual illumination, does the average Negro more harm than good. It unfits him for, and makes him discontented in that state of life into which it has pleased God to call him. When the Negro enters upon the study of the higher branches of intellectual learning he does so with the idea of becoming a teacher or preacher, lawyer or physician, politician or editor, and so on through the whole list of learned professions. But the professional field offers very few and comparatively limited opportunities to the highly educated Negro. There is room in it for a good many teachers and preachers a few doctors and fewer lawyers. In all these departments the supply, such as it is, always far exceeds the demand. As a consequence these college bred Negroes find their way into hotels as bell boys and waiters, and into the railway service as train and

sleeping car porters, and being discontented and heady their classical education is a detriment to them and the traveling public rather than an advantage.

Speaking broadly outside of teaching and preaching the industrial field is the only one which is or ever will be open to the Negro, and this being the case his education should be along industrial rather than classical lines. They need farming, mechanical, cooking, laundry and nursing efficiency rather than proficiency in Latin, Greek and Astronomy. This most important fact is recognized at Hampton and Tuskegee and it accounts for the good that these institutions are accomplishing, and for the support that they are receiving from sensible philanthropists both North and South.

I firmly believe that the American Negro is deteriorating and that his degeneracy will continue until adequate provision is made for his moral and industrial education. The reason why the few old time Negroes who are left, are as a rule so superior to the younger Negroes, is found in the fact that the older ones were taught morality and industry by the white people who brought them up, whereas, the young ones are brought up by the colored people who teach them neither morality nor industry. The old relationship of master and slave fortunately can, of course, never be restored, and so there is no salvation for the degenerating Negro race in that direction. But he can never save himself. He will continue to go from bad to worse, unless some new way can be found to teach him both morality and industry. I claim that the Church should teach the Negro morality and that the state should teach him industry.

Confining ourselves for the moment to industrial education, I desire to give expression to the conviction that the task is altogether too great for the impoverished South and that it should be undertaken by the general government. I reached this conclusion shortly after coming South, and I am glad to see that distinguished Northern men are beginning to hold it and are giving it the benefit of their powerful advocacy. Let us now turn to the consideration of the moral condition of this unfortunate people, and the neglect of the Episcopal Church.

IV.

THE CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH.

At the request of a New York capitalist, philanthropist and Churchman, who is a Georgian by birth and who retains that passionate love for his native land, which since my coming among you has impressed me as such a beautiful characteristic of Southern people. I attended the Birmingham Conference for Education in the South, which opened on April 26 and closed on the 28.

So far as its membership is concerned the Conference is a very comprehensive association, for it can hardly be called an organization. The President and some of the leaders are Northern men, but many Southerners, chiefly college presidents and State school superintendents, are greatly interested in the movement.

The object of the association is to promote education in the South by increasing, as the result of local taxation, the extent and efficiency of the public school system for both white and colored children.

The Conference meets annually and the Birmingham session was the seventh of the series. So far as the attendance of both inhabitants and visitors was concerned, this one was certainly a great success. The hospitality of the city was lavish and lovely. The doors of its attractive homes were thrown wide open, and besides many pleasant luncheon and dinner parties there was a brilliant and most highly enjoyable reception.

Being somewhat of a pessimist in my views of the present condition and future prospects of the American Negro, I concluded to accept an invitation to this Conference, because I was encouraged to hope that it would make me more optimistic; but I was quite disappointed in this expectation. There was very little said that was calculated to convert one who, having studied the Negro in the light of personal observation, history and ethnology, is as skeptical as I am regarding his capacity to develop, mentally and morally, to that degree which will enable him to take a helpful part in the social, political and ecclesiastical departments of our American branch of the Anglo-Saxon civilization.

Not only was I disappointed in the Conference because it did not result in any considerable modification of my own views, but also because it allowed several most distinguished and influential Northern men and women to come and go without giving them any real conception of the stupendous and exceedingly difficult work of stopping the degeneration of the American Negro and raising him up from the slough of semi-barbarism to the plane of civilization. The names of several of these visitors are household words throughout New England. The pity of it is that their trip and this Conference tended to confirm them in their old, erroneous convictions respecting the Negro and the South. Their representations, which in any case would have had great weight will now be offered and accepted as the testimony of the most creditable of expert eye witnesses, who have seen and heard for themselves.

So far as the Negro Problem is concerned the great fault that I have had to find with the Birmingham Conference is that it was almost altogether one-sided and misleading. A good many references were made to what is termed "the best Southern thought and the best Northern thought" in a way which would lead the unsophisticated



to suppose that they are one and the same thing and that all the wise and good people which the North and South contain were quite fully represented by the utterances concerning the Negro at this Conference. And, indeed, I have very little if any fault to find with what was said by either Northerners or Southerners at the Conference upon this momentous subject, but I must respectfully and emphatically insist that it did not at all fully represent the views of more than one out of a hundred good Southern men and women whom I know. I doubt whether it was anything like fully representative of a single man or woman among all the 4,000 communicants of the Episcopal Church in Arkansas.

But, of course, it would be impossible for the most optimistic among Southern men to open their mouths however guardedly in the presence of New Englanders without giving them a little something to think about. Even the exceedingly conservative remarks of the brilliant, eloquent and diplomatic Dr. Galloway, a Bishop of the Southern Methodist Episcopal Church, residing in Mississippi, if they were understood by his Northern auditors must have been attended here and there by more or less violent shocks. However, without intending any reflection upon their intelligence, I venture to give expression to the conviction that by reason of their widely dissimilar environments and habits of thought they utterly failed of fully understanding and correctly interpreting much of the Bishop's remarkable oration on "The South and the Negro." There is, it seems to me, no other way of accounting for the strange difference in the reception which my lecture received at Washington and Boston.

It must, I think, be clear to all that this difference, (a difference which is really astonishing) is not due to a difference in intelligence or moral illumination, but to a difference in the point of view. In short, the true explanation lies in the fact that Negroes form a very large per cent of the population of Washington, while the reverse is true of Boston.

But even the oration of this chosen champion contains a passage in which he substantially says all that I said in my Boston lecture:

"Mistakes that have become a tragedy were made by some misguided persons who came South after the war to be the political teachers and leaders of the Negroes. Representing themselves as the only friends of the recently emancipated race, they made denunciation of former slave owners an apology for their presence, and a part of the Negro's education. That policy only complicated the difficult problem. It poisoned the spirit of one race and aroused the fierce antagonism of the other. Hate was planted in hearts where the seed of love should have been sown, and races that ought to dwell together in unity, were separated by bitter hostility. The times of such folly are gone, but their tragic results are our mournful heritage.

"In the study of this momentous question some things may be considered as definitely and finally settled:

1. In the South there will never be any social mingling of the races. Whether it be prejudice or pride of race, there is a middle wall of partition which will not be broken down.

2. They will worship in separate Churches and be educated in separate schools. This is alike desired by both races, and is for the good of each.

3. The political power of this section will remain in present hands. Here, as elsewhere, intelligence and wealth will and should control the administration of Governmental affairs.

4. The great body of the Negroes are here to stay. Their coerced colonization would be a crime, and their deportation a physical impossibility. And the white people are less anxious for them to go than they are to leave. They are natives and not intruders."

This coming from Bishop Galloway, who is probably the most distinguished and influential among Southern optimists regarding the Negro, ought certainly to open the eyes of our critics to the injustice that they have been doing us, and to the necessity for something like the Arkansas plan for the work of the Episcopal Church among colored people.

V.

THE REMISSNESS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH TOWARDS THE NEGRO.

We have, in round numbers, fully 400,000 Negroes within the "Black Belt" of our State. Their condition is almost incredibly deplorable. Especially is this true in respect to that feature of the condition of the Negro with which it is the business of the Church to be concerned, his moral character. There are Negro writers who maintain that their race is altogether lacking in what is known as the moral sense; and there are white men scattered throughout the South taking first rank in the communities in which they live, and they would take first rank in any community, who say that so far as their observation and experience go, such writers are not far from correct. They insist that they have seldom known a Negro who was not more or less lacking in the three cardinal essentials of morality, namely: truthfulness, honesty and social purity.

There are many Southern people who do not take this extreme, almost if not quite a hopeless, view of the moral condition of the Negro. I rejoice in saying that I agree with the more conservative and reasonable view of such. It seems to me that some among the colored people with whom I come into contact have just as good morals as the average white man or woman. Nevertheless, I am bound to say that those who impress me thus favorably are comparatively very few indeed.

Now the strange thing about it all is that the colored people of the South are as a rule intensely religious. It is almost impossible to find one of them who is a disbeliever and not identified with some Christian body. The great majority of them are what may be called "shouting" Christians. In the colored people of the South we therefore have this curious and perplexing anomaly of a maximum of religion with a minimum of morality.

This being the case, I believe that there is no organization of Christians in the country which can do for this people more than the Episcopal Church. The emotional noisy type of religion, characteristic of the so-called revival churches, is what the Negro most naturally takes to, but what he really needs is the sober, ethical, elevating influences of the services and teaching of this Church and he needs it sadly on a wholesale scale, without any further delay.

For the physical ailments of mankind, I am inclined to the Homeopathic theory of dosing; but for the moral distemper of the colored race, I am decidedly in favor of Allopathic doses of the Episcopal Church. The fact that the Southern Negro needs the wholesome medicine of the ethical doctrine delivered by the Episcopal Church above all other medicines, and the fact that he needs it so badly in such large doses places a tremendous and most solemn responsibility upon our membership.

I have spoken of the awful moral degradation of the Southern Negro and his urgent need of the Prayer Book type of the Christian religion. The membership of this Church, as compared with other religious bodies of the country, has perhaps a disproportionate percentage of well-to-do and wealthy people. I am receiving at the rate of \$600 a year for the religious and moral improvement of 400,000 of this degraded, degenerating race. In the face of these facts what need is there of argument to show that the Church is far from doing her duty to the colored people of Arkansas and I am afraid that this remissness is characteristic of the Church towards all of the Southern Dioceses.

VI.

COLORED MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS AND BISHOPS.

The degree of separation that is provided for by the newly established Convocation System of the Diocese of Arkansas is absolutely necessary both on account of the colored and white works; for, without such a separation, either the one or the other must inevitably languish. Under the old and generally prevailing conditions, any considerable growth of the Church among the colored people of the South would unquestionably be attended by her corresponding decline among our white people.

I believe in the Catholicity of the Church as a whole, but not in the Catholicity of Congregations or Dioceses, or even of the General Convention of a National Church. As matters now stand no one but an unobserving, impractical theorist will maintain that any congregation can be Catholic enough to include both the black and white people of a Southern community, and what is true in this respect of our congregations is true, or rapidly becoming so, of our Diocesan Council, and would become so of our General Convention in proportion to the increase of colored bishops and Delegates.

When we insist that for the good of all concerned, it is necessary to draw the color line around the ecclesiastical field, as well as around the political and social domains, we are met in some quarters by a vociferous quotation of such texts as, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus."

In replying to this argument against the policy of segregation for which my Diocese and I stand, I am willing to add, what the Apostle for some reason left out, "there is neither white nor black." Nevertheless, I contend that this and other texts of the same import cannot legitimately be so interpreted as to condemn such distinctions and separations among Christians as would be effected by the drawing of the ecclesiastical color line; because such an interpretation would make nonsense of them.

Take the text under consideration, which is the chief and consequently the most frequently quoted of all such texts, if it be interpreted in accordance with the views of those who consider that the true doctrine of the Church's Catholicity involves the removal of all lines of distinction, it would plainly teach that Christian men and women are obliged to ignore the fact that God has divided humanity into "male and female" and that they should dress and live as if there were no such differences. Therefore, all that such texts can legitimately be made to mean, is that Christians should not draw distinguishing and separating lines which God has not drawn. But the color line, like the sex line, was drawn by God, and this being the case it is evidently the duty of all concerned to recognize its existence in the social institutions of the family, State and Church.

I would not have you think that I regard our Arkansas Convocational System, as at present constituted, as being altogether satisfactory. In fact I clearly see and freely admit that it is defective and that its chief imperfection will be hard to correct. The great difficulty about this plan of ours is that the Convocation is not so adjusted to the Council as to preserve the constitutional rights of the colored Clergy. The intricate task of effecting this necessary or at least highly desirable adjustment is altogether the most important work which confronts us at this Council and I hope that the Committee on Canons will

give plenty of time and their best thought to it, and that their report will receive full and deliberate consideration.

I think you will agree with me that the wise solution of our knotty Canonical Problem is of far more than local importance and interest.

Now as to Colored Missionary Jurisdictions and Bishops: I would be willing that the Diocese of Arkansas should form a part of a Missionary Jurisdiction for Colored People, providing it is to be administered by a Bishop of their race, and I would approve of the consecration of a colored Suffragan Bishop, providing he is not to have a seat in the General Convention or our Diocesan Council, and providing also that the separation which such an arrangement would involve could be made to stop short of a breach of unity.

But the more I think about the matter the more I am inclined to the conviction that the Suffragan Bishop idea, if carried out, would eventually issue in a schism, and so I find myself drifting towards the opinion that until we are prepared to give the American Negro the Episcopate so that he may have an autonomous Racial Church, the Arkansas Plan represents the extreme limit to which we can go in the way of separation.

I adhere to the idea to which we are committed by the action of our Diocese in creating a separate Convocation for Colored Churchmen that ultimately the Episcopate and an autonomous Church should be given to the American Negro. It is urged against this idea, that it involves a disregard of a fundamental principle of the Catholic Church, namely: that the Bishop is the center of unity and that there cannot be two Bishops having jurisdiction over the same territory without dividing the body of Christ. But I think that this objection will not stand, and for this reason: if the line of argument by which it is supported be followed to its legitimate conclusion it would divide Anglo-Catholic Christianity into as many autonomous Churches as there are Dioceses, but such is not the case. We are divided into National Churches, such as the Church of England, the Church in the United States, the Church of Canada, and the rest.

The Anglican Communion then is divided into several autonomous National not Diocesan Churches. It does not require much insight to see that these divisions are largely due to the Geographical lines which God has drawn. Now God has also drawn the color line between the Anglo-Saxon and Negro Races. This line is as distinct and as insurmountable a barrier to ecclesiastical unity as any geographical line. Why, then, may not Catholic black and white Bishops occupy overlapping African and Anglican Catholic Churches in the United States without dividing the body of Christ? It is Christ not the presiding Bishop of the American Church, much less any Diocesan Bishop, who is the center of unity.

It appears, therefore, that the giving of the Episcopate to the colored churchmen of America would not be contrary to any Catholic principle or precedent; for an autonomous Church which exists because of the color line would be quite analogous and fully as justifiable as an autonomous Church which exists because of a geographical line.

Thus the question as to whether or not we should allow the Catholic Church in the United States to be divided by the color line resolves itself into a question of expediency, pure and simple. Is it wise or is it not wise to create the division? The whole matter hinges upon the wisdom of the proposal and not at all upon principle.

In settling this purely practical question, for that is what it really is, we may well take counsel of our Methodist Brethren, for though they have not our historic Episcopate, they have the Episcopal form of government, and both the Methodist Church South and the Methodist Church North have wrestled with this same question. Through the kindness of a friend who is in a position to know whereof he speaks, I am able to give you the inside history of those Churches touching this matter. It teaches an important lesson to all who can read the handwriting on the wall. He says:

"At the close of the Civil War the Methodist Episcopal Church South had a "Colored Membership" of about 300,000, when we were owners and they were slaves, we had no trouble in adjusting ourselves to them or managing them. When they became free the Negro race Churches, African Methodist Episcopal Church Bethel, and African Methodist Episcopal Church Zion, from the North rushed into the South and began to absorb our colored members. There was however a contingent of about 100,000 to 125,000 who remained loyal to us; but they became restless and were ill at ease in the new relation of freedom. Many questions began to arise which were hard to answer. The greatest and strongest minds of the Church took up the study of these questions to find solutions, that would be in accord with God's word and the best interests of both races.

1. "It was then as it is now, impossible to find competent white pastors for colored congregations. If they could have been found the Negroes would have thought that it would have been an invasion of their rights to place white men over them. *It was impossible, is now, and ever will be* to force them to worship together.

2. "By the authority of our General Conference a convention of Negro preachers was called by our Bishops and they were organized into a *separate* and independent Church. They elected two Bishops who were ordained by Bishops McLegion and Pierce. The 'Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America' thus took its place among the Churches. We deeded to them Church buildings and school houses, which had been built for them. The Methodist Episcopal Church South also established a school, the Paine Institute, in

Augusta, Georgia, for the Church thus set forth, and appointed white teachers from our own ranks to run it. We still support and practically control it.

"The Church thus set forth is absolutely independent. We have no legal authority over them, any more than we have over the Protestant Episcopal, Presbyterian, or other Churches. They feel kindly towards us and look to us for help and advice; this we cheerfully give.

"You might with great interest and perhaps much light study the relation of the Negro contingent in the Methodist Episcopal Church (North). They have about 200,000 colored members and separate congregations and Conferences. This is not satisfactory to any part of their communion. I happen to know some of their secrets. (a) The Negroes are asking, demanding a Bishop of their race, who shall be allowed to preside with equal rights in white Conferences. (b) The whites are divided into three factions; (1) a faction saying, *yes*, this is right, (2) another saying, elect a Negro Bishop but confine him to his own race, (3) a third saying, no, no Negro for Bishop. Their difficulties will increase."

VII.

A JUSTIFICATION OF THE ARKANSAS CONVOCATION FOR COLORED CHURCHMEN.

One of the chief among the reasons for the intense opposition which I encountered in Boston is found in the fact that the Diocese of Arkansas has seen fit to draw the color line about its Annual Council so as to exclude Negro Clergymen and congregations from representation in it. To my mind this action on the part of my Diocese and my previous recommendation and subsequent justification of it constitute the only cause for legitimate and reasonable criticism. If the storm which has been raging about us has not already spent its force, or if it is followed from time to time by other more or less important gusts, it will be found that the center has shifted from the topics of Negro lynching and degeneracy, to that of ecclesiastical color line drawing. For this is the real point of all that I said in my Boston lecture. It is the very crux of the whole matter. If, in accordance with the conviction of some, any controversial battle is to occur at the approaching General Convention it will take place on this ground. Here is where we shall stand or fall. This being the case, it is important that the reasons for the condemned action, should be clearly understood among us and by the Church public generally. Some of them have already more or less plainly appeared in the preceding sections. In this section I shall state three facts which constitute as many good additional reasons for the adoption of the Arkansas plan for increasing the extent and efficiency of the work of the Episcopal Church among colored people.

1. And first I think that a great deal of weight should be attached to the fact, that I was influenced in recommending the division of our colored and white works wholly and solely by a desire to do more for the colored people of my Diocese than had heretofore been done, and that the prospects point to a complete justification of my recommendation and the action of the Council.

The time has been insufficient for the accomplishment of any great things, but in the year that has elapsed since the creation of the Convocation, more real progress has been made than during the whole of the five years preceding.

Before the creation of the Convocation there was no demand for the Episcopal Church by the colored people. Now there is an opportunity for the establishing of a promising Mission among them at Hot Springs. It is now possible, as it was not before, to build combination Chapel and Industrial Halls in all the larger centers of population throughout the "Black Belt." We are planning to build such Halls at the rate of two a year. Our white Clergy in those communities, in some cases will conduct the service on Sunday afternoon, and their people will teach in the Sunday and Industrial Schools. Such an undertaking and arrangement would have been entirely impracticable and out of the question without the new separate Convocation system.

Up to the time of the organization of the Convocation, in the course of nearly twenty years, there was only one congregation organized and only one insignificant property built up for the colored people. In the next ten years we have good hope of accomplishing at least twenty times as much in the way of organizing and building and many times more in the way of religious and industrial instruction.

2. The second of these facts which we are stating is that the Convocation was created, as we have seen with the consent and at the request of the only colored Clergyman and congregation in the Diocese at the time.

It is true that I took the initiative in the movement by urging in my Council address the necessity for such a separation of the colored and white works; but I did this because it was evident to me and to the great majority of all concerned that nothing could be done for the colored people upon a large scale on a secure foundation along the old, unnatural lines. My people generally, both black and white, were already persuaded of this, and I succeeded in convincing the rest to such an extent that when the proposition to create the Convocation finally came to a vote, there was hardly a dissenting voice in either the Diocesan Council or the Parochial meeting of the colored people. And please note that the few objections that were raised were not against the principles involved.

3. As a third reason for our action, I beg to direct your careful attention to a fact which shows that my poor little Diocese in creating a separate Convocation for her colored Churchmen is leading the way in a direction towards which many are hopelessly turning their faces.

At the recent All-American Council of Bishops, there was a conference between representatives of the colored workers and the Southern Bishops. There were about twenty leading colored clergymen present. Their spokesman was Dr. Bragg, who read one of the best prepared, most convincing and touching papers that I have ever listened to. It was, from beginning to end, a reasonable, logical and pathetic appeal for a separate and complete ecclesiastical organization for the colored clergymen of this country.

At the conclusion of Dr. Bragg's paper, I requested the privilege of asking some questions, the answers to which showed conclusively that at least two-thirds of our colored Clergymen want an autonomous organization of the church, such as we are trying to give them in Arkansas. Not that we have given them what they want, but that we have started an entering wedge, which we hope will ultimately result in the creation of colored Bishops and jurisdictions or Dioceses.

4. And now, in concluding all that I have had to say on the American Negro problem at Cleveland and at Boston and in our Councils I am going to refer again to the real reason which underlies every other reason and which is an all sufficient reason for the drawing of the color line as it has been drawn and is being drawn in the South, around our domestic, political, educational and even religious institutions. Stated in the briefest possible terms, this is the reason. The failure to draw the color line would inevitably be attended by ruin to both races. Or to state the same thing in other terms, the drawing of the color line is for the good of both races concerned.

My Boston lecture was for the most part a justification of the course which the South as a whole has pursued towards the Negro and of the action of my Diocese in creating a separate Convocation for colored Churchmen based upon this fundamental reason. I have nothing to add in my own words to what I have already said on this subject in the lecture, but want to close this address with the profound remarks of a sympathizing friend who is regarded by many as the greatest living authority on our race problem. His letter if developed into a magazine article would be a most interesting and valuable contribution to the voluminous literature in which a statement and solution of the problem is attempted. It is too long for quotation and I do not feel free to give the name of its distinguished, gifted and thoughtful writer, but I must quote the following passages with such changes as are necessary to conceal the identity of its author. He says: "our mutual friend I think, rather overstates the case. It is true that

I have given the best years of my life to the study of the Negro problem. It is truly 'A RACE PROBLEM' with all that the word 'RACE' carries. This, Americans persist in ignoring. To treat it otherwise than a race problem, is to get confusion worse confounded every time it is attempted.

My dear Bishop, after fifty years studying the Negro, I have come to some very decided conclusions; and the more I study and watch, the surer I feel that my conclusions are right; yet they are so far from what many people expect, that I have not made them public.

"This, I say, is a 'Race' problem. It holds all that the word race means, and that is a lot more than people stop to think. It is far deeper than a 'color' matter. God made races and made them as different as ducks from chickens. To treat two races alike, produces confusion, as real and radical, as to treat dogs and cats alike, or apples and watermelons alike. In each race are wrapped forces leading it on, and fitting it for the work, that God has cut out for that race, and no other. Study Israel in Egypt. It was not neglect or impotency on God's part, that this race gradually gravitated from the court to the 'brick kiln.' Israel in Egypt's throne would have been an Israelitish failure. Israel with the handicrafts of Egypt was not a failure; and left the Egyptian ideal of civilization unmarred. God in the fullness of time sends to each race, the vision of its civilization; and no other race can see, understand, know and work it out. Stop and ponder this statement, for in it lies the secret to all this confusion and confounding, in which we are floundering, here and now. This alone can explain the vivid, intense, seemingly cruel resentment that flashes out everywhere, when the white man sees the Negro about to mar his ideal of Church, State or society. And mar, he does, and will whenever allowed to approach and work on either, unguided. Don't you remember 'that the pillar of cloud and fire' was light to Israel, and darkness to the Egyptians? Even so and ever, must one race's ideal of civilization be foolishness to another race. Therefore, to allow an alien race to come up, and go to work on your ideal would produce about the same effect as if you allowed the man with his whitewash brush, to come up behind a gifted artist, intensely bending over his canvas, to fling upon it the vision thrilling his soul; and to begin with his whitewash brush to help out the oil painting. Bishop, that is just what people of this country have ignorantly been clamoring that the Negro should be permitted to do. And the racial instinct, that will die for the preservation of its race ideal, has flamed and flashed with relentless fury every time it felt the whitewash brush reaching the canvas.

"This accounts for many of the cruel striking down, of many innocent and good Negroes, from place in government, or social circles.

This, and this alone, can account for many seeming deeds of violence, done by men, who otherwise, were good law abiding citizens. Now mark you, that it is not Egypt's ideal that is in danger from Israel's blind, bungling, but Israel's ideal, so long as he stays, and craves and reaches to help Egypt with its ideal. Moses as a Pharaoh, would have been a stupendous failure, as an Israelite, and leader for his people he was a great success. Israel's ideal unfolded 'on the mount.' 'Make all things according to the pattern shown thee in the mount.' Yes, use the skill and handicraft you learned in Egypt, but use your God given patterns. As with Israel, even so with 'Ham.' If the Negro is ever to find the fullness and glory of his manhood and Negrohood, it must be by finding his own pattern where God hands it to him; and then using all the skill God has given him and all the truth that the white race may teach him—he must work out his own ideal. So long as he persists in trying to work on the white man's canvas he is going to have and give trouble, and make a failure. Do I make you see with me? Booker Washington, as Booker Washington, is a grand fellow—But Booker Washington, as George Washington would be an awful misfit and sad failure for both Booker and George. Why cannot we make people see this? It is certainly due to the Negro, to show him the peril of Pharaoh's palace, and also to turn his face towards that mount where God waits to give him his ideal, even if it does seem to lie through a shipless, bridgeless sea; and a great and terrible trackless wilderness, waterless, and serpent haunted, out there beyond the brick kiln.

"Is there an ideal for him? Can he reach and work it out? Great, deep questions of life and death and glory. I believe there is. I say I *believe*, I do not know failure waits his continued meddling with the white man's ideal. I *believe* when God made him, He also made his ideal. God never makes a purposeless thing. I ever sought signs of his ideal; and I think there are very many. I have in my possession, some eighty fables, or specimens of 'folk lore,' I got directly from the heathen Africa; and there are startling marks of ideal on many of them, ideal high and grand. God has reached the black man's mind, and flashed into it, blazes of immortality, and divinity. He lacks the spirit of God to brood over these and bring order, 'kosmos' out. You may catch traces of this in 'Uucle Remus' if you study deep enough. So I do believe in the Negro's future, because I believe in God's designs.

"It is going to be hard with the *theorists*, when you begin to pluck their idols and long cherished hopes. But plucked they must be, or we go on deeper and deeper into the dense darkness; and woeful waste, and wrong to both races. You can't make a white man of a Negro, he will be a miserable white man if you did, and a ruined Negro. We

owe it to the Negroes to get this noble realization into them, and send them on to be their own great selves. One race can go to school to another; but the scholar must not try to turn the teacher out, or run the school to suit himself. After school he must strike out homeward, and be a race. The other races need his racehood. 'One star differeth from another star in glory' but all the same, each star sends to every other star, a flood of light, all its own, and which the heavens cannot afford to lose. 'Other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them I must also bring,' and that will be a greater and gladder fold, when he has the bringing, and the sheep feel that each is richer, because the others are there.

"Now, Bishop, I do not know how all of this will strike you, nor what good it may do you in your present dilemma—which dilemma, we are all sharing. My own conclusions are very clear, and firm, and I presume final for this life, i. e. Give the Negro all we can give him of truth, and skill, and encouragement and hope, and point him to God's use for him. But as we love him, and are entrusted by God with the white man's ideal; keep his hand off that ideal, and send him on to his own Horeb. 'I have written in haste, but I hope that I have made myself clear.'"

Recognizing the truth of the proverb that in the multitude of counselors there is wisdom, I wrote to a majority of the Southern Bishops and to several great Canonists, explaining the "Arkansas Plan for Work Among Colored People" and asking them for help in the difficult work of so adjusting our Convocation to the Council as to give satisfaction so far as possible to all concerned and interested. A number of replies have been received and they are certainly interesting reading. Copies of them will be turned over to the Committee on Canons. I am persuaded by the letters that we shall be obliged to change our Constitution and that we ought to change our Canons, so as to omit all reference to race distinctions, such as Caucasian, Negro, white or black.

In one of the many letters which I have received in regard to my Rason lecture, a friend makes a quotation from a letter of President Lincoln, which is to the point, he was writing to a member of the constitutional convention that was giving a new constitution to Mississippi at the close of the war. He said, in substance, "Do not put anything in your constitution that either gives the suffrage to the Negro or denies it. He is not fit for it now and if you give it to him you will array the whites against him, and in the end he must go down. If you deny it to him you will make him dissatisfied and array him against the whites. Leave the suffrage to be conferred on individual Negroes as they deserve it. Thus you will encourage them to

seek the good opinion of their white fellow citizens and you will bring about harmonious relations between the races."

The more that I think of it the more I feel that the Canon adopted at the last Council is more irritating and discouraging than is really necessary and that it should be revised as far as possible along the line suggested by the great President in his recommendation to the Mississippi Statesman.

The sense of responsibility and the anxiety connected with the promotion of any revolutionary measure, such as we have begun is in proportion of the magnitude of the interests involved. If we contrast the work which is before us in this Council with that of any past Council in which you and I have taken part, I am sure that you will at once perceive its comparatively immeasurable and far-reaching importance. For not only will the future of the Church's work among our large and increased colored population depend upon what is done here, but colored Churchmen everywhere and many white brethren both in the South and at the North are deeply concerned and will be greatly influenced by what we do. Let us, therefore, most earnestly pray that no mistake may be made.

O, God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; grant us by the same spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

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APPENDIX II.

IN MEMORIAM

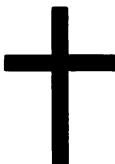


THE REV. RICHARD SEXTON JAMES,
D. D., LL. D.

Born in Kensington, Pa., June 18, 1824.
Died at Eureka Springs, Ark., Nov. 14, 1903.



"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; even so, saith the spirit;
for they rest from their labours and their works do follow them."



A great man has gone to his rest; a man of profound and varied learning;
large experience; and a faith in God and Jesus Christ that brings to mind the
words of St. Timothy: "I know whom I have believed."

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The Rev. Dr. James was a graduate of Columbian University, Washington, D. C., and of Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. His first work was in editing a newspaper in Montgomery, Alabama. He afterwards entered upon the study of medicine, and after graduating from the Homeopathic College of Philadelphia, Pa., he practiced his profession in Washington, D. C. for several years. The practice of medicine did not suit him; and after some time spent in preparation, and the study of theology, he was ordained a Baptist minister in Camden, N. J., in 1862. After many years of successful work in the ministry of the Baptist denomination, and after earnest and thorough investigation of the claims of the Protestant Episcopal Church, he was confirmed by the late Bishop Pierce, at Witcherville, Arkansas, Oct. 13, 1887. He immediately became a candidate for Holy Orders, and on the 15th of March, 1888, in Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, Arkansas, he was admitted to the office of a Deacon in the Church of God. At the meeting of the Annual Council at Marianna, Arkansas, April 15, 1888, he was ordained Priest by the late Bishop Pierce. From the time of his ordination until his death he remained in the Diocese of Arkansas as Rector of the Parishes at Dardanelle, Mammoth Spring and Eureka Springs. Dec. 9, 1900. he was stricken with the illness that resulted in his death three years later. Patient, cheerful and long suffering in the midst of great bodily affliction his faith in God and Christ never wavered and with a love for God and man based upon the command and example of his Lord and Master he passed to the rest of Paradise.

“Where loyal hearts, and true,
Stand ever in the light,
All rapture, through and through,
In God’s most holy sight.”

IN MEMORIAM

In Domine Confidit, In Domine Requiem Habet

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF

THE REV. WILLIAM ALLAN FAIR

Born at Naas, County Kildare, Ireland, 1845.

**Entered into Rest October 20, 1903, in the
City of Little Rock, Arkansas.**

"Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no guile."

**"The golden evening brightens in the West;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest."
"Alleluia."**

**He was a Missionary of the Cross for twenty-five years in Africa, preaching the
gospel to the poor of that region, and building up the Kingdom of God.**

APPENDIX III.

(No meeting except for organization.)

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF TREASURER BOARD OF MANAGERS. DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

To the Bishop and Members of Board of Missions.

BRETHREN: Herewith find statement of funds received and disbursed by me during the past year:

RECEIPTS.

1903.	
May 12, balance on hand.....	\$ 1,060.89
Received from—	
Brinkley	\$ 8.20
Pocahontas	4.70
Jonesboro	3.00
Marianna	64.25
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	333.39
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	91.19
Pulaski Heights, Little Rock.....	3.94
St. Paul's, Little Rock.....	5.00
St. Phillip's, Little Rock.....	16.00
Fayetteville	100.00
Mena	29.51
Foreman	10.93
Fort Smith	159.83
Camden	75.00
Bishop Wm. M. Brown.....	261.00
Fulton	10.00
Van Buren	66.36
Helena	250.22
Monticello	14.00
Arkansas City	12.00
Mammoth Spring	20.00
Washington	6.00
Pine Bluff	250.00
Newport	61.64
Winslow	5.00
Rocky Comfort	.65
Forrest City	12.50
Batesville	65.70
Hope	17.65
Searcy.. . . .	25.00
Lake Village	10.00
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.....	5,100.00
Total	\$8,153.55

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to—	
Rev. J. B. Whaling.....	\$ 270.00
Rev. J. C. France.....	510.00
Rev. A. M. Treschow.....	255.00
Rev. J. P. Daniels.....	40.00
Rev. W. A. Fair.....	155.00
Mr. S. R. McAlpin.....	87.00
Rev. W. D. Williams.....	1,051.12
Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Brown.....	2,300.00
Rev. J. J. Cornish.....	170.00
Dr. N. Hockersmith.....	200.00
Rev. LeRoy Ferguson.....	100.00
Mr. Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.....	1,234.87
Rev. H. M. Ingham.....	91.67
Rev. J. W. Thompson.....	220.00
Rev. Alex Crawford.....	137.50
Mr. John Gatling.....	13.00
Mr. C. F. Ellis.....	52.50
Rev. W. D. Buckner.....	5.75
Rev. C. H. Lockwood.....	6.75
Mr. N. B. Trulock.....	4.00
Rev. J. C. Ingham.....	125.00
Rev. G. E. Hancock.....	150.00
Rev. C. C. Leman.....	50.00
Rev. R. A. Heath.....	33.33
Total	<u>\$ 7,262.49</u>
Total receipts	\$ 8,153.55
Total disbursements	<u>7,262.49</u>
Balance	\$ 891.06
To balance May 12, 1904.....	<u>\$ 891.06</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. RATHER,
*Treasurer.*Audited and found correct,
GORDON N. PEAY,
Chairman Auditing Committee.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

DIOCESAN FUND.

Balance on hand at last report.....	\$ 668.18
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RECEIPTS.

St. Mark's, Pulaski Heights.....	\$.90
Calvary, Osceola	2.50
St. Phillip's, Little Rock.....	3.75
St. Stephen's, Winslow	5.00
Ascension, Booneville	5.00
St. Barnabas's, Foreman.....	5.00
Immanuel, Fulton, Wm. Temple.....	5.00
St. John's, Harrison	5.00
St. Mark's, Lonoke.....	5.00
Ascension, Pocahontas	5.00
St. Mary's, Monticello	7.50
St. James's, Prescott	10.00
Church of the Redeemer, Nashville.....	10.00
St. Luke's, Brinkley	12.00
St. Mark's, Jonesboro	15.00
St. Clement's, Arkansas City.....	20.00
Immanuel, Lake Village.....	20.00
Christ Church, Mena.....	18.75
St. Mark's, Hope.....	30.00
St. James's, Eureka Springs.....	40.00
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	50.00
St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	50.00
St. John's, Camden.....	75.00
St. Paul's, Batesville.....	100.00
St. Paul's, Fayetteville.....	102.95
St. Paul's, Newport.....	100.00
Trinity, Van Buren.....	100.00
Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	175.00
St. John's, Fort Smith.....	175.00
St. Luke's, Hot Springs.....	200.00
St. John's, Helena.....	250.00
Trinity, Pine Bluff.....	250.00
Christ Church, Little Rock.....	450.00
	\$2,303.35
Total	\$2,971.53

DISBURSEMENTS.

1903.

June 18.—Expenses Standing Committee.....	\$ 4.50
July 1.—W. D. Williams for taxes on S. W. N. E. 18, 20 N., 25 W.....	.70
August 3.—Bishop Brown's salary, first quarter.....	375.00
September 15.—Arkansas Democrat, printing Journals.	252.25
September 16.—J. M. Daggett, Secretary, postage on Journals.....	26.75
September 28.—Expenses Standing Committee.....	5.60
November 7.—Bishop Brown's salary, second quarter..	375.00

1904.

February 3.—Bishop Brown's salary, third quarter...	375.00
April 21.—Expenses Standing Committee.....	5.85
May 3.—Bishop Brown's salary, fourth quarter.....	375.00
May 14.—P. K. Roots, postage.....	5.90
May 14.—J. M. Daggett, Secretary.....	100.00

Total	\$1,901.55
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Cash balance on hand.....	\$1,069.98
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P. K. ROOTS,
Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,
GORDON N. PEAY,
Chairman Auditing Committee.

APPENDIX VI.

FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY.

Balance on hand at last report.....	\$1,123.82
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RECEIPTS.

St. Andrew's, Marianna.....	\$ 6.55
St. John's, Fort Smith.....	8.50
St. Paul's, Newport.....	10.00
Neill Note	500.00
Neill Note Interest.....	70.00
Trust Company Interest.....	13.74

	\$ 608.79
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Total	\$ 1,732.61
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DISBURSEMENTS.

To Rev. R. S. James and wife.....	\$ 100.00
To General Clergy Fund.....	1,632.61

Total	\$ 1,732.61
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On April 2, 1904, received from Trinity Cathedral \$11.71, which amount was immediately remitted to the General Clergy Fund.

P. K. ROOTS,

Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,

GORDON N. PEAY,

Chairman Auditing Committee.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF TRUSTEE PERMANENT EPISCOPATE FUND.

Helena, Arkansas, May 1, 1904.

To the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, Brethren:

I herewith submit my twelfth annual statement of the receipts, expenditures, and actual cash value of the Permanent Episcopate Fund, of the Diocese of Arkansas on above date:

RECEIPTS.

May 1, 1903.

To balance on hand as per last report..... \$ 1,289 96

Loans reported in last report and repaid during the year:

New Light Baptist Church (Part).....	\$ 100 00
Wm. M. Brown.....	1,000 00
W. H. & G. Howe.....	100 00
Miles Place	370 00
E. Taylor	60 00
G. & H. A. Schwantz.....	206 70
M. L. Stephenson.....	1,290 00
Felix Smith	668 00
N. Straub Sons.....	3,000 00
W. N. & S. Straub.....	1,000 00
G. W. Willey.....	3,500 00
F. B. Sliger.....	750 00

12,044 70

FORCED LOANS.

To Home Mutual B. & L. Ass'n (Matured)....	370 00
Home Mutual B. & L. Ass'n Series No. 4....	600 00
People's B. & L. Ass'n Series No. 2.....	240 00

1,210 00

FROM INTEREST.

To W. H. & G. Howe.....	9 05
R. E. Bonner.....	37 95
E. Taylor	3 20
Miles Place	27 65

Thirty-Second Annual Council

M. L. Stephenson.....	\$ 103 20
Felix Smith	98 90
J. C. & M. A. Tappan.....	116 85
N. Straub Sons.....	232 65
W. N. & S. Straub.....	80 00
D. W. Bailey.....	31 50
New Light Baptist Church.....	40 70
G. & H. A. Schwantz.....	52 10
G. W. Willey.....	280 00
F. B. Sliger.....	60 00
Short Loans	59 91

1,233 66

FROM DONATIONS.

To Maj. P. K. Roots.....	5 00
St. Paul's, Batesville.....	9 40
St. Paul's, Newport.....	4 70
Good Shepherd, Forrest City.....	7 70
Church Redeemer, Nashville.....	2 00
St. John's, Camden.....	2 70
St. John's, Helena.....	14 65
St. John's, Fort Smith.....	7 61

53 76

PINE BLUFF PROPERTY.

To Rents collected to date of Sale May 1,	
1903 to May 1, 1904.....	338 32
Sale of Property to C. Senyard.....	3,100 00

3,438 32

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

To Rent due as per last report.....	150 00
Rent from May 1, 1903 to May 1, 1904.....	600 00

750 00

Total \$20,020 00

EXPENDITURES.

By Loans made during year:

Miles Place	\$ 200 00
M. L. Stephenson.....	1,290 00
J. C. & M. A. Tappan.....	1,500 00
F. B. Sliger	750 00
N. Straub & Sons.....	2,000 00
W. N. & S. Straub.....	1,000 00
Adam Fuller	400 00
H. A. Rainey.....	600 00

Diocese of Arkansas.

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G. W. Willey.....	\$3,500 00
R. H. Word.....	100 00
C. Senyard	2,100 00

13,440 00

BUILDING AND LOAN.

By Purchase 40 shares stock Home Mutual	
Series No. 4.....	667 60
Purchase 40 shares stock Home Mutual	
Series No. 5.....	300 00
Dues 12 months Home Mutual No. 3	
(Matured)	74 00
Dues 12 months Home Mutual No. 4.....	20 00
Dues 12 months Home Mutual No. 5.....	155 00
Dues 12 months People's No. 2.....	120 00

1,336 60

INTEREST.

By amount paid on forced loan to Home Mutual	
Series Nos. 3 and 4.....	148 70
People's Series No. 2.....	112 00

300 70

PINE BLUFF PROPERTY.

By amounts paid as per vouchers.....	115 83
Expense of making sale of Property to	
C. Senyard	159 50

275 33

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

By Note T. H. Bunch No. 2 Note.....	1,150 00
Interest, same	517 50
Improvement Tax, (Residence).....	72 00

1,739 50

Cash on Hand.....

2,928 27

\$20,020 40

PRESENT VALUE OF FUND.

Building and Loan Stock—	Amount	Paid in		Present Value
Home Mutual, Series No. 4			\$ 725.00	
106 months	\$1,000.00	\$ 687.60	600.00	\$ 125.00
Home Mutual, Series No 5				
84 months	3,000.00	1,534.75		2,035.00
People's Series No. 2, 117				
months	2,000.00	1,250.05	1,900.00	
Less amount forced loan			1,720.00	180.00

*Thirty-Second Annual Council***BILLS RECEIVABLE.**

Name of Maker	Face	Accrued Interest	Total
Rena Bonner	\$ 470 00	\$ 19 00	\$ 489 00
J. C. & M. A. Tappan.....	1,000 00	35 00	1,035 00
J. C. & M. A. Tappan.....	450 00	8 00	458 00
J. C. & M. A. Tappan.....	1,500 00	30 00	1,530 00
M. L. Stephenson.....	1,200 00	34 49	1,324 49
S. O. Dixon.....	67 50		67 50
W. N. & S. Straub.....	1,000 00	25 00	1,025 00
N. Straub Sons.....	2,000 00	50 00	2,050 00
Miles Place	200 00	5 00	205 00
F. B. Sliger.....	750 00	3 00	753 00
G. W. Willey.....	3,500 00	4 30	3,504 30
G. & H. A. Schwantz.....	460 30	2 00	462 30
D. W. Bailey.....	600 00	99 00	690 00
Sermon & King.....	100 00	28 00	128 00
New Light Baptist Church.....	300 00	126 00	426 00
Adam Fuller	400 00	6 65	406 65
H. A. Rainey.....	600 00	16 65	616 65
R. H. Word.....	100 00		100 00
C. Senyard	2,100 00		2,100 00
	<u>\$16,887 00</u>	<u>\$492 09</u>	

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

Permanent Investment for same.....	\$17,218 92
Balance being notes unpaid and not yet due to T. H. Bunch.....	<u>9,200 00</u>
	\$ 8,018 92
Cash on Hand.....	<u>2,928 27</u>
Present Value of Fund.....	\$30,657 08
Value of Fund at last report.....	<u>29,915 52</u>
Net Increase of Fund.....	\$ 741 56

The attention is called to the fact that property held in Pine Bluff has been sold by resolution of the Bishop and Standing Committee for the sum of \$3,100.00 and the cost in making sale of same being \$159.50, the net amount received being \$2,940.50. The property has been heretofore accounted for by the Trustee as valued at \$3,936.00. This causes a loss to the Fund of the difference in former valuation, and net amount of sale, which is \$995.50. To show actual earnings it will be necessary to add said loss to increase, i. e., \$741.56 and \$995.50, making a total of \$1,737.06. Deduct the value of the Episcopal Residence, \$8,018.92 from Fund, leaving \$22,638.16. I call your attention to this, for reason that

but \$600.00 was received and I paid out \$589.50 for interest and taxes. The actual earnings of the Fund should therefore be based on value of securities which are \$22,638.16 and is fully 8 per cent on the investment. The notes taken in sale of Pine Bluff property bear 7 per cent interest and this being fully 2 per cent more than we were receiving before, the loss should soon be made up.

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. FAULKNER,

Trustee Permanent Episcopate Fund.

Examined and found correct,

GORDON N. PEAY,

Chairman Auditing Committee.

APPENDIX VIII.

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Reverend Father in God, Clergy and Members of the Woman's Auxiliary.

My first words to you must be those of greeting and congratulation that we are once again come together, and that a year's work has been completed. The result may not be as large as we hoped, for in some instances it has been carried on in the midst of discouragement and drawbacks. I believe we are spiritualizing our work more, putting it higher than a mere sewing society, which has for its highest standard the sending out of a box, often-times filled with articles which are neither good to look at, nor wear. Not that I mean to discourage box sending, for many times it has proven the friend in need. But as we are helpers to the Board of Missions, and since they have decided that the "Apportionment Plan" is the best to secure in proportion to their means, offerings from all the members of the society we should try to do our share and inform ourselves of its working. If we are to care for anything we must not be ignorant of it. It has been wisely said, "Knowledge comes before Zeal," there can be no intelligent interest in Missions without it. It is surely our duty then to inform ourselves as to what the Church is doing in our own land and throughout the world, for if we know of the work and its needs, it will be hard to remain indifferent. The men and women who are working in the field, are not different from ourselves, they and their children can suffer from lack of food and clothes just as we would, and they can enjoy comforts and luxuries as much as we. And yet as we read their letters written from their bare homes, because of the scanty stipend they

receive, no word of complaint can be found. Surely our hearts would prompt us to stretch out helping hands if we knew of the privations suffered by those who are carrying the glorious message to our Missionary fields. You ask, how shall we get this knowledge? I answer, by reading the "Spirit of Missions." At first it may not appeal to you, but keep it up for a while and it will become as interesting, in fact, more so than any magazine in your list. Moreover it will follow so surely as the light of day, that any woman who reads it will become a member of the Woman's Auxiliary. It must be remembered that the apportionment is not a tax nor an assessment, neither is it a limit for anyone's offerings for this work. Divided amongst all without regard to ability, the total sum asked for would average less than eighty cents a year from each. The Missionary work in the United States known as the Domestic Work is among the white people, the Indians and the colored people in forty Dioceses and twenty-one Missionary Districts: Africa, China, Japan, Haiti, Mexico and the Islands of the sea constitute Foreign Work. The duty and privilege of every one of us is certainly to support this work which has been undertaken in our name by our chosen representatives. I am sure if any of the branches have failed in their apportionment it is because they have had calls nearer home which they felt they must attend to.

The Columbia Scholarship, while it is a most worthy cause and I heartily endorse and recommend, has reduced our giving in other quarters. But I urge you to contribute to that from year to year, and if we can make it a permanent scholarship, or continue it until we can have a Diocesan School of our own. Our Bishop has asked us to do this and we ought to be glad to consent. He has asked so little of us, we should do our utmost to hold up his hands, for he has had a most trying time. No work should be undertaken without the sanction of the Bishop, nor without the approval of our respective Rectors. Of all societies, the Auxiliary is one which should be in sympathy with the Clergy. Loyalty to Church in all directions is our first duty, and as patriotism to country makes us uphold the government, so in Churchmanship it should make us recognize the needs of the church and rise to the full measure of our responsibility. This scholarship of which we have been speaking might be the means of bringing good men into the Diocese. When it is understood that the daughter of a Clergyman may thus procure a fine education, besides helping along an excellent Church Institution, and giving it prominence before the eyes of the public. I have asked before, but now ask again for an annual quiet day, when for a few hours we can lay aside worldly cares and responsibilities, after which we will be strengthened and refreshed for our daily lives. Let us beg of you to form Mission Classes to study during

Lent if no other time. They can be made as interesting as any literary club, and you can get the material for such study from our General Secretary. We often hear it said that the Church cannot "get on" without the women, and I believe it, but I also believe the Auxiliary must have the help and counsel of the clergy to properly do her work. In looking into your faces I miss some of the familiar ones, one most efficient secretary and coworker, Mrs. Rhames, has left the Diocese, her place will be hard to fill, she understood the business and working so well. Mrs. Lloyd, the wife of our Arch Deacon, has come to our rescue by kindly consenting to act as secretary. It is difficult and troublesome to carry on work started by some one else. We feel ourselves most fortunate in this case, and we are deeply grateful. Mrs. P. K. Roots, who has been Treasurer since our organization is compelled by ill health to temporarily resign. May God give her strength to soon resume the duties for which she is so admirably fitted. Always ready with her work and helpful words we miss her sadly, and as your President is also disabled it looks as though the Board would have to be helped rather than helpful. If our women would understand that the Auxiliary does not interfere with other Church work, does not demand money which is badly needed for other purposes, but adds to the dignity and breadth of our other labors, they would rally to its support and become enthusiastic in the cause. It is so strong in the older and especially in the Eastern Dioceses and we earnestly hope the day is not far distant when it will become a strong factor in this Southwestern land. So surely as a community or parish is imbued with Missionary zeal, so surely will it be industrious in all good works, and the more bountifully will God's grace be poured out upon it, and the more successful will they be in their undertakings. I reiterate what I said last year that we want more vigorous young life in our work. There is a great company of young women in society as well as among the bread winners who should belong to us. We should endeavor to kindle in them the spirit which lives for Christ and others and not for self.

At each yearly meeting we are reminded that some who have served faithfully are going out from among us, their work must be done by others, the question is, who these others are to be. Mothers need not fear their daughters will overtax themselves in doing the Lord's work, they have been in most cases able to meet the requirements of society, which are exacting, so why fear for them to take an active part in this work which will fit them for life eternal. With their pure faith and ardent, enthusiastic spirits, guided by spiritual counsel and refreshment given by their Bishops and Priests, supplemented by the experience of their elders they will be a grand acquisition to the Woman's Auxiliary. "Small service is true service while it lasts." So we must be careful



not to overlook the opportunities of rendering gentle and efficiently that which presents itself. The day of small things is not to be overlooked. Remember what our Savior said about "The cup of cold water given in His Name." No theory of saving souls or fondness for a scheme of Christianity are sufficient to make us do good Missionary work, but the love of God shed abroad in our hearts and the love of humanity, God's great family. The sphere of action of each of us is more or less limited, and our gifts differ, but there is always some talent and it is only the "wicked and slothful servant" who will be afraid to hide his talent in the earth. The original meaning of the word religion is *Rule*, and if we wish to lead a religious life, a life of true service to God and man we must order it by the rule of God's law. The tenth part of our substance and the seventh of our time is the very least this law demands, and we should be as faithful in paying God's part as we would a debt to our fellow man. We should first take out God's portion, then ask His help and guidance in disposing of the remainder. If this simple rule were followed the treasury of the Lord would be full to overflowing, and His Church would arise and shine. "Everywhere the fields seem ripe for harvest, but the reaper must stay his hand because help comes not," which emphatically points us to our duty, helpers must be sent and we must do our share in sending them, and this can best be done by the "Apportionment Plan," but you must understand that as the Auxiliary we are apportioned, as well as members of our respective parishes. We must use every effort to induce others to take an active part in this and all Auxiliary work, to induce Christian Women to give larger gifts for eternal things. If we who are so far from the large centers of Church work, could understand how necessary the Auxiliary is to the Church, we would feel it a privilege to belong to it, and would be impressed with the responsibility which rests upon us, thus knowing of the influence it wields, we would be more zealous and feel greater independence and boldness in prosecuting our work. Concert of action is necessary to all successful work in the parish and elsewhere, and the rulers are those to whom, by God's appointment, we should render obedience. Conflict of wills, is anything but harmonious or agreeable to the worker or spectator. The powers that are ordained by God, civilization is distinguished from barbarism by a submission to law, and cultivated society from its reverse, by obedience to the rule which the accumulated experience of centuries has imposed upon its members. The leading of a star led the wise men from the East to worship the new-born King, and falling in their wisdom humbly at His feet, they offered gold for his Royalty Frankincense for His Priesthood, and Myrrh for His Humanity. Let us see that we follow their example and give always of our best to the Lord. Also learn from the example

of the Holy Simeon and the Devout Anna who departed not from the temple, but served God with fasting and prayers, night and day "waiting for the consolation of Israel," how the faithful performance of duty is rewarded. The Lord whom they sought, came suddenly to His Temple, and their aged eyes saw His Salvation "a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel."

And now the Holy Church throughout the world sings the Simeon's in the "Nunc Dimittis," and many share it, when after years of faithful service and patient waiting the Lord grants them the desire of their hearts, and they are ready to "depart in peace."

JENNIE H. PILLOW,

May 19, 1904.

APPENDIX IX.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

I am sure it was the regret of all officers and members of the Diocese, when Mrs. Rhames saw fit to resign her position as Diocesan Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary.

This resignation was sent in some time during the summer. Not until Apr. 7 was a substitute found, when the Bishop officially appointed Mrs. Lloyd as Secretary for the remainder of the Councillor year. All this time our President, although very ill, struggled along as best she could, doing the work of President and Secretary. As this was less than five weeks before the Council to be held in Pine Bluff, there was no time for the new Secretary to do very much, other than write different branches and remind them to elect their delegates, also see that their report blanks were filled out. These blanks were sent with the request that they should be filled out and returned to the Secretary in case no delegate was sent, and they were to reach me not later than May 9. I wish to say that in almost every instance their replies were prompt and most satisfactory.

I must also assure them the work as your Diocesan Secretary is indeed a happy one and these five weeks have given me a great deal of pleasure.

I notice by the books sent me from Mrs. Rhames, how beautifully each Parish and Mission have done their part in the past two years, May we not even do more this coming year? If I may, I wish to urge all delegates who were present at the last meeting of the Auxiliary to do all within their power to have their respective branches raise the sum asked for especially for The Apportionment Fund, also the amount for which our Bishop made so strong and beautiful appeal—the Scholarship.

We have our Bishop's word as to the standard of this school and of the necessity of such a Scholarship. His word is sufficient and surely every effort should be made by all to grant his request.



APPENDIX X.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.

GENERAL MISSIONS APPORTIONMENT FUND.

From Diocesan Junior Auxiliary.....	\$15 16
From Marianna Auxiliary.....	6 50
From Van Buren Auxiliary.....	10 00
From Camden Auxiliary.....	12 61
From Newport Auxiliary.....	15 00
From Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	25 00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	80 00
Total	<u>\$164 27</u>

UNITED OFFERING.

May 16, 1903.

Balance on hand at last report.....	\$61 91
From Marianna	\$ 4 00
From Van Buren.....	4 10
From Hot Springs.....	6 00
From Newport.....	9 50
From Batesville.....	10 00
	<u>33 60</u>
Total	<u>\$ 95 54</u>

DIOCESAN TAX.

From Offering at Opening Service in Little Rock....	\$ 8 25
From Helena	1 00
From Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock.....	1 00
From Christ Church, Little Rock.....	1 00
From Pine Bluff.....	1 00
From Van Buren.....	1 00
Returned by Mrs. Rhames, Secretary.....	1 97
	<u>6 97</u>
Total	<u>\$15 92</u>

FUNDS FOR FAMILIES OF CLERGYMEN.

Balance an hand at last report.....	\$49 25
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"SPECIALS."

From Marianna for All Saint's Hospital, South McAlester	\$ 6 00
From Christ Church, Little Rock, for Bishop Restarick for Missionary District of Honolulu.....	10 00
From Baby's Branch, Christ Church, Little Rock for Bishop Funston	15 00
From Helena, first payment for Bishop Brown's Arkansas Scholarship for Columbia Institute.....	20 00
From Helena, for Girls' Scholarship, St. Hildas School, Wuchang, China	50 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

GENERAL MISSIONS, APPORTIONMENT FUND.

June 16, 1903, Draft to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.....	\$15 16
May 5, 1904, draft to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.....	124 11
May 10, 1904, Draft to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.....	25 00
Total	\$164 27

"SPECIALS."

Drafts sent to Geo. C. Thomas, Treasurer.

July 25, 1903—From Marianna, for All Saints Hos- pital at South McAlester.....	\$ 6 00
July 7, 1904—From Christ Church, Little Rock, for Bishop Restarick, Honolulu.....	10 00
Feb. 19, 1904—From Helena, for Bishop Brown's Arkansas Scholarship for Columbia Institute..	20 00
April 9, 1904—From Helena, for Girl's Scholarship St. Hildas School, Wuchang, China.....	50 00
May 5, 1904—From Baby's Branch Christ Church, Little Rock, for Bishop Funston.....	15 00
Total	\$101 00

DIOCESAN TAX.

June 16, 1903—For printing programs for annual meeting	\$ 6 50
Total amount to be accounted for.....	425 98
Total amount disbursed.....	271 77
Total of balances on hand.....	\$154 21
In three funds as follows:	
Diocesan tax.....	\$ 9 42
Fund for families of clergymen in Arkansas.....	49 25
United offering.....	95 54
Total balance on hand as above.....	\$154 21

MRS. P. K. ROOTS.
Treasurer.

Since April 7 I have received on Auxiliary business 15 letters.

Have written 20 personal letters, 2 cents each.....\$.40

Sent 12 report blanks.....P..... .24

Mailed 12 programs..... .24

Stationery 25

Total Expenses\$1.13

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVIA MORELAND LLOYD.

Secretary.

APPENDIX XI.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ARKANSAS CITY, DESHA COUNTY.

St. Clement's Church.

The Rev. J. W. Thompson, Missionary and Officiating Clergyman, residence, Monticello; F. M. Rogers, Treasurer.

Number of families, 8. Number of individuals, 8. Whole number baptised persons, 32. Number of confirmed persons last report, should have been 18. Number of confirmed persons this report, 27. Baptisms—Infants, 3. Confirmations, 9. Sunday school—Teachers, 3; pupils, 22; total, 25. Public services—On Sunday, 25; on other days, 2; Holy Communion celebrated, 3. Sittings in the church, 125.

Services are supported by annual subscription and voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$10.00; current expenses, \$270.00; other Parochial expenses, viz: Improvements, gas plant, \$100.00; total, \$380.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$20.00; Missions, \$21.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$4.00; to Bishop for Ministerial education, \$7.20; total, \$432.20. Missions—General, \$5.00; total for all objects, \$437.20.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$600.00; value of Church building, \$1,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,600.00.

MONTICELLO, DREW COUNTY.

St. Mary's Mission.

Number of families, 5. Baptised persons, 17. Confirmed persons, 14.

Public services—On Sunday, 20; other days, 6; Holy Communion celebrated, 2.

Offering for all purposes, \$60.00.

Value of lands, \$600.00; Rector's building, \$600.00; no Church building. We worship in the courthouse.

BATESVILLE, INDEPENDENCE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church.

The Rev. William R. Agate, Rector; residence, Batesville, Ark., (St. Paul's Rectory); J. Conway Fitzhugh, Lay Reader; J. Conway Fitzhugh and Dr. William B. Lawrence, Wardens; William Ramsey, Clerk; James E. Rosebrough, Treasurer.

Number of families, 45. Number of individuals, 25. Whole number baptised persons, 130. Number of confirmed persons last report, 100. Number of confirmed persons this report, 100. Baptisms—Infants, 2; Adults, 5. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 10; pupils, 60; total, 70. Public Services—On Sunday, 100; on other days, 70; Holy Communion celebrated, 30. Sitzings in the Church, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$3.20; Current expenses, \$1,266.08; other Parochial expenses, viz: for Sunday school expenses, \$45.00; Parochial expenses, Woman's Auxiliary, \$6.40; Theological Institute, \$75.00; total, \$1,395.68.

Diocesan. Assessment and Missions, \$100.00; Aged and infirm Clergy, \$17.70; Batesville I. O. O. F. Orphans Home, \$13.68, total, \$131.38.

Missions. General, \$100.00; Easter offering from St. Paul's Sunday school to Sunday school Auxiliary, \$25.00; Bishop Brook's work, special, \$21.03; University of the South, \$5.70; Other objects without the Diocese, viz: Missionary work among the Jews, \$2.36; Donation of St. Paul's Sunday school to Junior Auxiliary, \$5.00; from Woman's Auxiliary to Archdeacon Rhames, for Missionary literature, \$3.00; Apportionment, \$20.00; Scholarship Columbian Institute, Tenn., \$20.00; Trinity Church, York, Neb., \$4.00; Oklahoma Mission, \$5.00; United offering, \$10.00; Auxiliary tax, \$1.00; total, \$222.59; total for all objects, \$1,749.75.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings) \$2,000.00; value of Church building, \$2,000.00; value of Rectory, \$2,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$6,000.00.

On the first day of January, 1904, the Rev. R. W. Rhames, M. A., resigned St. Paul's Parish at which time he took up his work as Archdeacon of Western Tennessee. Then the Rev. W. R. Agate, B. D., was called to the Rectorship of St. Paul's Parish, when he immediately began his work. The Ladies' Aid Society deserve praise in all their cooperation. Since January they have purchased and placed in the Rectory a beautiful mantel and coal grate at a cost of about \$50.00.



BLYTHEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI COUNTY.

— Church.

The Rev. Rushforth Aubrey Heath, Missionary; residence, Jonesboro; Mrs. Lucy C. Moore, Treasurer.

Number of families, 1. Number of individuals, 1. Whole number baptised persons, 7. Number of confirmed persons last report, 7. Number of confirmed persons this report, 7. Public services—On Sunday, 12; Holy Communion celebrated, 3.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$3.00; current expenses, \$75.00; total for all objects, \$78.00.

Mr. Beckman has promised a lot for Church but not deeded as yet. I am pushing matters as much as possible. Blytheville is not mentioned in calendar as among Missions nor yet by the appropriation scheme report.

BOONEVILLE, LOGAN COUNTY

Ascension Chapel.

The Rev. August M. Treschow, M. A., Rector; residence "The Rectory," Mena, Ark.; Garner H. Myers, Warden.

Number of families, 2. Number of individuals, 7. Whole number baptised persons, 10. Number confirmed persons last report, 11. Number confirmed persons this report, 4. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Marriages, 1. Sunday school—Teachers, 3; pupils, 30; total, 33. Public services—Sunday, 1; week days, 8; Holy Communion celebrated, 1.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Value of all Parish lands (exclusive of buildings), \$250.00; value of Church building, \$750.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.00.

A mission was held here by Archdeacon Dr. W. K. Lloyd and as several stations near by may become fruitful ground for our Church. I propose to hold another Mission here in the near future.

BRINKLEY, MONROE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church.

The Rev. J. J. Cornish, Officiating Clergyman; residence, Marianna; T. Harry Jackson and Dr. Ed. T. Owen, Wardens; Fred E. Sapp, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 14. Whole number baptised persons, 29. Number of confirmed persons last report, 37. Number of confirmed persons this report, 24. Sunday school—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10; total, 12. Public services—On Sunday, 7; on other days, 4; Holy Communion celebrated, 1; sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$50.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$12.00; Missions, \$1.00. Missions—General, \$1.00; total for all objects, \$64.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250.00; value of Church building, \$1,000.00; other Parish property, \$120.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,370.00.

CAMDEN, OUACHITA COUNTY.

St. John's Church.

The Rev. Howard M. Ingham, Rector; residence, Camden, Ark.; Col. P. Lynch Lee, Lay Reader; Gen. Joseph A. Reeves and Col. P. Lynch Lee, Wardens; Reece T. Lockett, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 23. Number of individuals, 9. Whole number baptised persons, 100. Number of confirmed persons last report, 51. Number of confirmed persons this report (eleven are nonresidents), 68. Baptisms—Infants, 6. Confirmations (two classes), 15. Sunday school—Teachers, 4; pupils, 24; total, 28. Public services—On Sunday, 87; on other days, 61; Holy Communion celebrated (public, 10; private, 4), 14. Sitzings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$49.62; current expenses, \$861.16; total, \$910.78. Diocesan—Assessment, \$75.00; Missions, \$37.50; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$2.70; Aged and Infirm Clergy, see General Clergy Relief; total, \$115.20. Missions—General, Foreign, Domestic, Indian and Colored People, \$37.50; Am. Ch. Building Fund, \$4.30; University of the South, \$4.20; other objects without the Diocese, viz: Jews (Good Friday), \$2.55; General Clergy Relief, \$11.25; total, \$59.80; total for all objects, \$1,085.78.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000.00; value of Church building, \$3,500.00; value of Rectory, \$800; total value of all Parish property, \$5,300.00.

The Guild has raised from offerings, \$28.61; from entertainments, \$224.91; from assessments, \$21.15; total \$274.67.

With above moneys and what was raised the year before they have expended in beautifying the Church interior as follows: Wall decorations, \$79.00; Chancel decorations, \$88.00; new electric lights and wiring, \$153.69; other improvements, \$48.00; total, \$368.69.

The same ladies working as a Woman's Auxiliary have raised \$40.89. It is a record of exceedingly hard and successful work.

EUREKA SPRINGS, CARROLL COUNTY.

St. James' Church.

The Rev. J. B. C. Beaubien, Rector; residence, Eureka Springs; C. F. Ellis, Lay Reader; J. C. Cunningham and C. F. Ellis, Wardens; G. O. Lembarger, Clerk; C. F. Ellis, Treasurer.

Number of families, 24. Number of individuals, 7. Whole number baptised persons, 71. Number of confirmed persons last report, 34. Number of confirmed persons this report, 34. Baptisms—Adults, 1. Burials, 2. Sunday school—Teachers, 3; pupils, 20; total, 23. Public services—On Sunday, 36; on other days, 13; Holy Communion celebrated, 11. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$263.74; Diocesan—Assessment, \$40.00; Missions, \$19.50. Missions—General, \$8.26; total, \$331.50.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings) \$1,500.00; value of Church building, \$500.00; other Parish property, Chapel, \$500.00; total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.00.

The present Rector entered upon his labors March 20, 5th Sunday in Lent. He at once established daily Lenten service, with addresses and filled the remainder of the season in the customary way of the Church. The attendance at all services was most satisfactory. It is impossible to state the exact number of communicants who receive owing to the additions from strangers.

FAYETTEVILLE, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church.

The Rev. Joshua B. Whaling, Rector; residence, Fayetteville, Ark.; L. H. Weston, Lay Reader; J. L. Cravens and Frank Hill, Wardens; J. W. Massengale, Clerk; J. H. McIlroy, Treasurer.

Number of families, 56. Number of individuals, 30. Whole number baptised persons, 175. Number of confirmed persons last report, 148. Number of persons confirmed this report, 155. Baptisms—Infants, 10; adults, 6. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 6. Burials, 2. Sunday school—Teachers, 6; pupils, 40; total, 46. Public services—On Sunday, 136; on other days, 65; Holy Communion celebrated, 62. Sittings in the Church, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$63.60; current expenses, \$1,400.00; other Parochial expenses, viz: Putting a furnace in the Church, \$450.00; repairs on Rectory, \$150.00; Sunday school offerings (outside

of Lenten offering), \$59.92; total, \$2,123.52. Diocesan—Assessment, \$100.00; Missions, \$40.00; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$3.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$7.35; other objects within the Diocese, viz: Daughters of the King, \$12.00; The Ladies' Guild, \$92.00; total, \$254.35. Missions—Sunday school Lenten offering, \$33.00; Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$62.50; Mr. Root's work at Hankow (special), \$6.45; the Jews, \$5.00; University of the South, \$5.00; St. Mary's on the Mountain (Tenn.), \$1.00; total, \$112.95; total for all objects, \$2,490.82.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$2,000.00; value of Church building, \$4,000.00; value of Rectory, \$3,000.00; Endowments or invested funds amount to, \$1,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$10,000.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,000.00.

The present Rector began regular services on August 16, 1903, although he had taken charge of the Parish on June 14 and held his first service on that date. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been reorganized with a membership of twelve, most of them University students. They have been largely instrumental in getting up the vested choir of young men and women. The Brotherhood is doing a good work in awakening an interest in the Church among the young men of the University. The Church is gradually taking on new life, and we feel that the outlook for St. Paul's, Fayetteville, is very bright. The University had over eight hundred students the past year; and we are thankful to say we are beginning to make the Church felt as a force and factor in the moral and spiritual life of the student body. A new carpet to cost \$300.00 is just being purchased for the Church. The Daughters of the King have made a handsome set of green hangings and have furnished the flowers for the altar. The Parish was vacant so long, that it has been up hill work, getting the scattered flock together.

FOREMAN, LITTLE RIVER COUNTY.

St. Barnabas' Mission.

Rev. August M. Treschow, M. A., Rector; residence, "The Rectory," Mena, Ark.

Number of families, 10. Number of individuals, 3. Whole number of baptised persons, 35. Number of confirmed persons last report, 22. Number of confirmed persons this report, 26. Baptisms—Infants, 4; adults, 1. Confirmations, 2. Burials, 2. Sunday school—Teachers, 2; pupils, 12; total, 14. Public services—On Sunday, 22; Holy Communion celebrated, 1.

Services supported by annual subscriptions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$150.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.00; Missions, \$3.15; Lenten and Easter offering to General Missions, \$4.00; total, \$17.15.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$250.00; value of Church building, \$800.00; total value of Parish property, \$1,050.00.

FORREST CITY, ST. FRANCIS COUNTY.

Good Shepherd Church.

The Rev. George Ewin Hancock, Minister; residence Forrest City; James Gilliam, Lay Reader; John Gatling and H. A. Knight, Wardens; W. P. Gorman, Clerk; E. Turley, Treasurer.

Number of families, 18. Number of individuals, 16. Whole number baptized persons, 101. Number of confirmed persons last report, 47. Number of confirmed persons this report, 55. Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 2. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 4. Burials, 2. Sunday school—Teachers, 4; pupils, 45; total, 49. Public services—On Sunday, 36; on other days, 25; Holy Communion celebrated, 4. Sitzings in the Church, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$569.00; current expenses, \$241.97; other Parochial expenses, viz. Incidentals, \$5.05, fence, \$22.38. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50.00; Missions, 16.45; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$7.70. Missions, \$16.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,800.00; value of Church building, \$3,400.00; value of Rectory, \$850.00; other Parish property, \$450.00; total value of all Parish property, \$6,500.00.

The Parish was without a Minister from April 15, 1903, to January 1, 1904. The Rev. George Erwin Hancock took charge. The following improvements have been made on the inside of the Church since January 1: A large stained glass window was given by the Young Ladies' Guild for the north end of the house. The ladies of the Church were instrumental in raising enough money to supplement \$150.00 given by the Bishop, with which the Church was finished on the inside, painted and papered. Mrs. Edward Rollerson was instrumental in putting in a new carpet. The children of the Sunday school gave a new Hymn board. Twenty electric lights were added which the Vestry paid for. The Rector now has on hand \$20.00, the beginning of a fund to paint the Church on the outside. The prospects for the Parish for the coming year are exceedingly good.

FORT SMITH, SEBASTIAN COUNTY.

St. John's Church.

The Rev. Caleb Brintnall Knevals Weed, Rector; residence 219 North Sixth street. Rectory: Ernest G. Epler, M. D., and Wm. A. Falconer, Wardens; Andrew S. Dowd, Clerk; James A. Foltz, M. D., Treasurer.

Number of families, 92. Number of individuals, 83. Whole number baptised persons, 500. Number of confirmed persons last report, 308. Number of confirmed persons this report, 218. Baptisms—Infants, 9. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 7. Burials, 10. Sunday school—Teachers, 9; pupils, 125; total, 134. Public services—On Sunday, 79; on other days, 52; Holy Communion celebrated, 46. Sitzings in the Church, 300.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$5.00; current expenses, \$1,734.49; other Parochial expenses, viz. Improvements and repairs on Church and Rectory, and refurnishing Rectory, \$1,304.35; total, \$3,043.84. Diocesan—Assessment, \$175.00; Missions, \$65.75; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$8.50; total, \$249.25. Missions—General, \$93.18; Mission to deaf mutes, \$9.10; total, \$102.28; total for all objects, \$3,395.37.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$5,000.00; value of Church building, \$20,000.00; value of Rectory and furnishings, \$3,500.00; total value of all Parish property, \$28,500.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,350.00.

FULTON, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

Immanuel Mission.

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Lay Missionary; residence, Hope.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 9. Whole number of baptised persons, 20. Number of confirmed persons last report, 6. Number of confirmed persons this report, 9. Sunday school—Teachers, 4; pupils, 24; total, 28. Public services—On Sunday, 15; on other days, 30; Holy Communion celebrated, 5.

Services held in Odd Fellows' hall, and supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$75.00; Diocesan—Assessment, \$5.00; Missions, \$5.00. Missions—General, \$3.00; total for all objects, \$88.

A Ladies' Guild was organized during the year, with \$35.00 in treasury, for building Chapel, bought a \$75.00 organ for Sunday school and services, and have deeded a lot for Chapel to be erected thereon. Three confirmed and 7 baptised after a Mission held by the Ven. Archdeacon.

HELENA. PHILLIPS COUNTY.

St. John's Church.

The Rev. Charles H. Lockwood, D. D., Rector; residence, 507 Perry street, Helena, Arkansas; Mr. N. F. Bruce, Lay Reader, Judge



P. O. Thweatt and Hon. Greenfield Quarles, Wardens; Mr. S. S. Faulkner, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 126. Number of individuals, 30. Whole number of baptised persons, 375. Number of confirmed persons last report, 307. Number of confirmed persons this report, 314. Baptisms—Infants, 8; adults 1. Confirmations, 14. Marriages, 7. Burials, 8. Sunday school—Teachers, 12; pupils, 112; total, 137. Public services—On Sunday, 115; on other days, 122; Holy Communion celebrated, 56. Sittings in the Church, 550.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$50.32; current expenses, \$2,704.12; other Parochial expenses, viz: Christmas offering, \$23.00; Young Ladies' Guild, \$230.00; Ladies' Aid Society, \$379.15; Woman's Auxiliary, \$121.66; Rev. Warner Mission, \$36.00; total, \$3,544.25. Diocesan—Assessment, \$250.00; Missions, \$100.00; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$14.65; total, \$364.65. Missions—General, \$150.50; Foreign (for Brazil), \$47.02; Domestic, \$47.02; University of the South, \$14.60; other objects without the Diocese, viz: General Clergy Fund, \$40.75; total, \$299.89; total for all objects, \$4,208.79.

Value of all Parish lands (exclusive of buildings), \$3,000.00; value of Church building, \$30,000.00; Value of Rectory, \$3,500.00; other Parish property, \$3,600.00; total value of all Parish property, \$40,100.00.

The Parish enters the Annual Council at Pine Bluff the 11th inst., with all assessments paid in full. The report of the Parish for the year doesn't show the usual number of baptisms, but that frequently happens in a place like Helena, where growth in population is not very marked. Generally speaking, the year has been a good one, and the Parish is in excellent condition, spiritually and financially. The Rector will on the first of next June enter upon his sixteenth year as Rector of the Parish. He has many things to be thankful for, and among them the best Parish and the best people in the world.

HOPE, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church.

The Ven. W. K. Lloyd, D. D., Archdeacon and Rector; residence, Little Rock; Lay Missionary, Prof. Alex. Crawford, M. A., Ph. D., Assistant; Samuel A. Knighton, Lay Reader; Judson Timothy West and Samuel A. Knighton, Wardens; Arthur A. Gibson, Clerk and Treasurer; Moses Harry Barlow and George R. Ruffin, Vestrymen.

Number of families, 22. Number of individuals, 9. Whole number of baptised persons, 45. Number of confirmed persons last report,

40. Number of confirmed persons this report, 40. Marriages, 1. Public services—On Sunday, 54; on other days (22 Lenten daily), 28; Holy Communion celebrated, 12. Sitzings in the Church, 75.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$422.20; other Parochial expenses, viz: Taxes and repairs on Rectory, \$24.30; total, \$446.50. Diocesan—Assessment, \$30.00; Missions, \$30.00; other objects within the Diocese, viz: Offertory paid Archdeacons (Diocesan Missions), \$12.35; total, \$72.35. Missions—General, \$30.00; University of the South, \$4.20; total, \$34.20; total for all objects, \$553.05.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$800.00; value of Rectory, \$900.00; other Parish property, \$300.00; invested funds amount to, \$1,031.03; total value of all Parish property, \$3,031.03.

Contract was let April 15 for construction of the new St. Mark's Church, to cost \$3,500.00, to be completed on or about July 15, 1904; financial condition of the Parish is most excellent. Paid in full the Diocesan Assessment and Diocesan Missions and forwarded \$30.00 for General Missions. Services have been held during the year in the different churches of the town whenever the other religious bodies were not using their places of worship.

HOT SPRINGS, GARLAND COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church.

The Rev. Charles H. Kues, Rector; residence 212 Garden street; Richard B. Bancroft, Lay Reader; Morris C. Tomblor and J. H. Avery, Wardens; Richard B. Bancroft, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 115. Number of individuals, 69. Whole number of baptised persons, 280. Number of confirmed persons last report, 213. Number of confirmed persons this report, 223. Baptisms—Infants, 24. Confirmations, 10. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6. Sunday school—Teachers, 7; pupils, 70; total, 77. Public services—On Sunday, 120; on other days, 90; Holy Communion celebrated Sundays and Holy days, 60. Sitzings in the Church, 300.

Services are supported by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Current expenses, \$2,600.00; payment of debts, 956.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$200.00; Missions, 100.00; total, \$3,856.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000.00; value of Church building, \$17,000.00; other Parish property, \$5,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$32,000.00.

The present incumbent entered upon his duties February 1, 1904.

This report is incomplete owing to lack of data.

The Rector reports that he has been most cordially received by his Parishioners and is encouraged by the outlook for future growth.

Many gifts were given Easter by visitors and Parishioners.

JONESBORO, CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church.

The Rev. Rushforth Aubrey Heath, Officiating Clergyman, residence, Jonesboro; Orris McNary, Lay Reader; Mrs. H. I. Robinson, Treasurer.

Number of families, 6. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number of baptised persons, 28. Number of confirmed persons last report, 30. Number of confirmed persons this report, 26. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 1. Confirmations, 10. Sunday school—Teachers, 4; pupils 12; total, 16. Public services—On Sunday, 24; on other days, 30; Holy Communion celebrated, 6. Sitzings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscriptions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$9.75; current expenses, \$220.00; total, \$229.78. Diocesan—Assessment, \$15.00; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$1.00; total, \$16.00. Missions—General, \$13.50; University of the South, \$5.00; total, \$18.50; total for all objects, \$268.25.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000.00; value of Church building, \$1,400.00; value of Rectory, \$1,400.00; other Parish property, \$400.00; total value of all Parish property, \$4,200.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$497.00.

I see in the Living Church Almanac that Jonesboro is enumerated at 40 souls. However, this may have been, we can only account for a total of 28. There has in the past year been ten persons confirmed whether confirmation in the report means number of confirmation services held or individuals confirmed at these services I do not know? There were two confirmation services and ten people confirmed. Two families and seven individuals have just left Jonesboro, members of the Episcopal Church, reducing our numbers by seven. I have four other Missions which I serve: Big Pocahontas, Paragould, Blytheville and Osceola, but have not room to send statements on this report. If required please send me others.

LAKE VILLAGE, CHICOT COUNTY.

Immanuel Mission Church.

The Rev. J. W. Thompson, Officiating Clergyman; residence, Monticello, Ark.; J. D. Miles, Warden; Miss Allie Craig, Treasurer.

Number of families, 22. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number of baptised persons, 82. Number of confirmed persons last report,

20. Number of confirmed persons this report, 20. Number Communicating during the year, 16. Baptisms—Infants, 2. Sunday school—Teachers, 3; pupils, 18; total, 21. Public services—On Sunday, 24; on other days, 2; Holy Communion celebrated, 4. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by endowment, by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$8.00; current expenses, \$260.00; other Parochial expenses, viz: New gas lights and carpet, \$150.00; total, \$418.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$20.00; Missions, \$17.00; total for all objects, \$455.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000.00; value of Church building, \$800.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,800.00.

DERMOTT, DREW COUNTY.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 3. Whole number of baptised persons, 16. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Number of confirmed persons this report, 1. Public services—On Sunday, 9; on other days, 6; Holy Communion celebrated, 2.

Use the Presbyterian Church building free. For all other purposes, \$45.00.

DUMAS, DESHA COUNTY.

Number of families, 4. Number of individuals, 4. Whole number baptised persons, 21. Baptisms—Infants, 2; adults, 2. Confirmations, 6. Public services—On Sunday, 13; on other days, 5; Holy Communion celebrated, 2.

For all other purposes, \$75.00. Diocesan—Mission, \$3.50.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

Christ Church.

The Rev. G. Gordon Smeade, M. A., Rector; residence, 509 Scott street; The Rev. J. C. France (Minister in charge at St. Paul's), Assistant; Maj. Richard Parham, Lay Reader; Jno. W. Goodwin and Judge Jno. T. Hicks, Wardens; Reyburn Peay, Clerk; Robt. E. Wait, Treasurer.

Number of families, 375. Number of individuals, 325. Whole number of baptised persons, 1,250. Number of confirmed persons last report, 630. Number of confirmed persons this report, 650. Baptisms—Infants, 31; adults, 15. Confirmations, 39. Marriages, 14. Burials, 7. Sunday school—Teachers, 46; pupils, 325; total, 371. Public services—On Sunday, 104; on other days, daily in Lent and all Holy days; Holy Communion celebrated, every Sunday and Holy days. Sittings in the Church, 750.

Services are supported by pew rents, by annual subscription, by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$190.25; current expenses, \$4,000.00; payment of debts, \$1,750.00; other Parochial expenses, viz: Ladies' Aid, \$450.00; Daughters of the King, \$254.00; St. Cecilia's Guild, \$275.50; Sunday school, \$260.75; St. Paul's Chapel, \$460.25; total, \$7,640.75. Diocesan—Assessment, \$450.00; Missions, \$132.36; total, \$582.36. Missions—General, \$200.61; University of the South, \$20.00; Woman's Auxiliary, including the Babies' Branch and Junior Auxiliary, \$156.32; total, \$376.93; total for all objects, \$8,409.22.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$16,000.00; value of Church building, \$60,000.00; value of Rectory, \$6,000.00; other Parish property, \$1,500.00; total value of all Parish property, \$83,500.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$2,200.00.

The members of the Parish have much for which to be thankful. The Church is growing and enlarging her usefulness each year. The "Home" established by the Daughters of the King is no longer an experiment, but an assured success. We hope by next Council to report that St. Paul's Chapel (a Mission of Christ Church) has become an independent Parish. Surely every member of this Parish must feel profoundly grateful to Col. G. W. Sappington for the beautiful memorial to his devoted wife, a chime of eleven bells costing \$5,000.00, placed in the tower of Christ Church. The Church is now beautifully lighted by electric lights, at a cost of nearly \$700.00. The Easter offering was \$1,763.00.

LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY.

Trinity Cathedral.

The Rev. Dean Robottom; residence, 1613 Spring Street; P. K. Roots, Lay Reader; P. K. Roots and H. K. Cochran, Wardens; C. H. Yost, Clerk; T. W. Yeakle, Treasurer.

Number of families, 150. Number of individuals, 300. Whole number baptised persons, 850. Number of confirmed persons last report, 225. Number of confirmed persons this report, 283. Baptisms—Infants, 32; adults, 18. Confirmations, 17. Marriages, 16. Burials, 29. Sunday school—Teachers, 10; pupils, 150; total, 160. Public services—On Sunday, 140; on other days, 50; Holy Communion celebrated, 52. Sitings in the Church, 450.

Services are supported by weekly envelope system and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$125.85; current expenses, \$2,960.14; Guilds, Societies, etc., \$850.00; other Parochial expenses, viz: Excavation of cellar, \$50.00; care of organ, \$50.00; repairs on Cathedral, painting, etc., \$100.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$175.00; Aged and

Infirm Clergy, \$25.00. Missions—Foreign, \$10.00; University of the South, \$25.00; Woman's Auxiliary, \$150.00; total for all objects, \$4,520.99.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$10,000.00; value of Church building, \$25,000.00; value of Rectory, \$3,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$38,000.00.

LONOKE, LONOKE COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church.

The Rev. J. C. France, Missionary, Officiating Clergyman; residence, Little Rock, Ark.; Mr. S. Stacey, Lay Reader; J. D. Shute, Warden; Duff Green, Clerk; J. D. Shute, Treasurer.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 4. Whole number baptised persons, 14. Number of confirmed persons last report, 7. Number of confirmed persons this report, 10. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 3.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$400.00; value of Church building, \$800.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,200.00.

MAMMOTH SPRING, FULTON COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church.

The Rev. J. C. Ingham, Missionary; residence, Thayer, Mo.; P. P. B. Hynson and E. C. Bellamy, Wardens; P. P. B. Hynson, Treasurer.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 4. Whole number baptised persons, 21. Number of confirmed persons last report, 12. Number of confirmed persons this report, 12. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Confirmations, 3. Burials, 1. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$97.10; total, \$10.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.00; total for all objects, \$117.10.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500.00; value of Church building, \$1,500.00; value of Rectory, \$500.00; total value of all Parish property, \$2,500.00.

MARIANNA, LEE COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Church.

The Rev. Joseph Jenkins Cornish, Rector; residence, Marianna; Dudley Sanders Clark, Lay Reader; Wm. A. Compton and Dudley S. Clark, Wardens; John M. Daggett, Clerk; Francis Noel Burke, Treasurer.

Number of families, 26. Number of individuals, 6. Whole number baptised persons, 91. Number of confirmed persons last report, 48. Number of confirmed persons this report, 58. Number communicating during the year, 54. Baptisms—Infants, 1. Confirmations, 7.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Sunday school—Teachers, 5; pupils, 28; total, 33. Public services—On Sunday, 166; on other days, 96; Holy Communion celebrated, 52. Sitzings in the Church, 120.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$919.75; other Parochial expenses, viz: repairs, \$86.60; miscellaneous, \$33.50; Sunday school and Guilds, \$310.64; total, \$1,350.49. Diocesan—Assessment, \$50.00; Missions, \$14.08 and \$2.40; Aged and infirm Clergy, \$6.55; total, \$73.03. Missions—General, \$14.07; University of the South, \$8.00; Jews, \$2.00; total, \$24.07; total for all objects, \$1,447.59.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500.00; value of Church building, \$2,500.00; value of Rectory, \$2,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$5,000.00.

Among the items of Parochial offerings are included the following: St. Andrew's Guild, \$303.44; Altar Guild, \$30.00; Sunday school, Lenten offering, \$22.70; Sunday school, other purposes, \$32.00; Woman's Auxiliary, \$22.50; total \$410.64.

This is the first in several years that St. Andrew's has had a resident Rector and regular weekly services. The reports show the increased prosperity by the change from semi-monthly services.

MENA, POLK COUNTY.

Christ Church.

The Rev. August M. Treschow, M. A., Rector; residence, "The Rectory," Mena, Ark.; Arthur Ward Quarrier, Lay Reader; Albert T. Easterday, Sr., and Thomas J. Webster, Jr., Wardens; James D. Shaver, Treasurer.

Number of families, 28. Number of individuals, 6. Whole number baptised persons, 103. Number of confirmed persons last report, 60. Number of confirmed persons this report, 88. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 17. Confirmations, 28. Marriages, 4. Burials, 2. Sunday school—Teachers, 3; pupils, 18; total, 21. Public services—On Sunday, 63; on other days, 12; Holy Communion celebrated, 3.

Services are supported by envelope system.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$290.10. Diocesan—Assessment, \$25.00; Missions, \$16.10; total, \$41.10.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings) \$200.00; value of Church building, \$750.00; value of Rectory, \$500.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,450.00.

MORRILTON, CONWAY COUNTY.

St. Agnes' Church.

W. M. Scarborough and W. E. De Long, Wardens; W. H. Ashley, Clerk; W. M. Scarborough, Treasurer.

Number of families, 2. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number baptised persons, 16. Number of confirmed persons last report, 13. Number of confirmed persons this report, 12. Burials, 1. Public services—On Sunday, 18; Holy Communion celebrated, 2. Sitzings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$112.20; payment of debts \$80.00; other Parochial expenses, viz: Taxes, \$7.13; total, \$199.33. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5.00; Bishop's salary, \$10.00; total, \$15.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300.00; value of Church building, \$1,300.00; value of Rectory, \$400.00; total value of all Parish property, \$2,000.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$36.00.

NASHVILLE, HOWARD COUNTY.

Church of Redeemer Mission.

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Lay Missionary; residence, Hope; W. C. Rodgers, Lay Reader and Warden.

Number of families, 2. Number of individuals, 5. Whole number baptised persons, 8. Number of confirmed persons last report, 5. Number of confirmed persons this report, 7. Sunday school—Teachers, 2; pupils, 10; total, 12. Public services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 30; Holy Communion celebrated, 3.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$60.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.00; Missions, \$10.00; total for all objects, \$80.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$100.00; value of Church building, \$750.00; other Parish property, \$100.00; total value of all Parish property, \$950.00.

During the year carpeted the Sanctuary and Chancel, and placed matting length of Nave; built a small vestry, and contemplate other exterior and interior improvements. Have \$75.00 on hand. Two confirmed.

NEWPORT, JACKSON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church.

The Rev. George Bancroft Norton, D. D., Minister; residence, Newport; L. Minor and Gustave Jones, Wardens; J. S. Wilmans, Clerk; J. R. Cox, Treasurer.

Number of families, 50. Number of individuals, 20. Whole number baptised persons, 136. Number of confirmed persons last report, 92. Number of confirmed persons this report, 100. Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 1. Confirmations, 9. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Sunday school—Teachers, 8; pupils, 60; total, 68. Public services—On Sunday, 98; on other days, 60; Holy Communion celebrated, 39. Sitzings in the Church, 125.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$6.05; current expenses, \$1,023.15; other Parochial expenses, viz: Offerings at public services, \$135.55; offerings at Sunday school, \$26.01; total, \$1,190.76. Diocesan—Assessment, \$100.00; Permanent Episcopate Fund, \$4.70; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$10.00; total, \$114.70. Missions—General, \$61.64; University of the South, \$2.85; other objects without the Diocese, viz: Missions to Jews, \$1.25; General Clergy Relief Fund, \$5.65; Sunday school Lenten offering (General Missionary) \$25.00; total, \$96.39; total for all objects, \$1,401.85.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000.00; value of Church building, \$500.00; value of Rectory, \$1,500.00; total value of all Parish property, \$3,000.00.

The contract for the new Church has been let for \$8,000.00. The Building Fund total is \$6,620.83, of which there is cash in the bank of \$3,958.83.

During the year St. Paul's Guild has earned \$577.15, and put into the Building Fund, \$500.00.

A chapter of the Daughters of the King has been organized during the year.

OSCEOLA, MISSISSIPPI COUNTY.

Calvary Church.

The Rev. Rushforth Aubrey Heath, Officiating Clergyman; residence, Jonesboro; Mrs. Andrella Reeves, Treasurer.

Number of families, 3. Number of individuals, 1. Whole number baptised persons, 5. Number of confirmed persons last report, 3. Number of confirmed persons this report, 3. Public services—On Sunday, 12; Holy Communion celebrated, 3. Sittings in the Church, 150.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$2.10; current expenses, \$96.00; total, \$96.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5.00; total, \$5.00. Missions—General, \$2.50; total, \$2.50; total for all objects, \$103.50.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200.00; value of Church building, \$1,200.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,400.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, about \$50.00.

There is a debt on the fittings, etc., which is not settled yet; only a small amount. The matter I understand is in litigation between Rev. J. C. France and Mrs. Barton, builders, etc.

PARAGOULD, CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.

Holy Communion Church.

The Rev. Rushforth Aubrey Heath, Officiating Clergyman; residence, Jonesboro; Mrs. W. C. Green, Treasurer.

Number of families, 6. Number of individuals, 3. Whole number baptised persons, 16. Number of confirmed persons last report, 16. Number of confirmed persons this report, 16. Sunday school—Teachers, 2; pupils, 6; total, 9. Public services—On other days, 12; Holy Communion celebrated, 3.

Services are supported by annual subscription.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$5.00; current expenses, \$100.00; total \$105.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5.00; total, \$5.00. Missions—General, \$2.50; total, \$2.50; total for all objects, \$112.50.

A Church is about to be erected and arrangements to purchase land to the value of \$600.00 are in course of progress for this purpose. I fear there is some misunderstanding about appropriations and assessments in all these places.

PINE BLUFF, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Trinity Church.

The Rev. Walter Davenport Buckner, Rector; residence, "The Rectory," 802 West Second Ave., Chas H. Brown, Lay Reader; Nichols B. Trulock and R. E. Lee, Wardens; Chas. H. Brown, Clerk; Robert E. Lee, Treasurer.

Number of families, 185. Number of individuals, 65. Whole number baptised persons, 658. Number of confirmed persons last report, 340. Number of confirmed persons this report, 370. Baptisms—Infants, 23; adults, 12. Confirmations, 18. Marriages, 6. Burials, 11. Sunday school—Teachers, 12; pupils, 162; total, 174. Public services—On Sunday, 110; on other days, 75; Holy Communion celebrated, 32. Sittings in the Church, 217. Free, assigned, 400.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$75.00; current expenses, \$2,500.00; payment of debts, \$1,013.00; total, \$3,588.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$250.00; Missions, \$250.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$7.75; total, \$507.75. Missions—General, from Sunday school, \$25.00; Foreign, \$10.00; Domestic, \$15.00; University of the South, \$15.00; total, \$65.00; total for all objects, \$4,160.75.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$6,000.00; value of Church building, \$17,500.00; value of Rectory, \$5,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$28,500.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$1,500.00.

Trinity Church Association has raised during the past year, \$167.00 and increased six in membership. The Young Ladies' Guild has raised \$285.00 and increased ten in membership. The Daughters of the King have increased twelve in membership and the work done by this splendid organization cannot be expressed in words. The choir is as

good as the Church has ever had. The outlook in the Parish is exceedingly bright. The Easter offering was \$431.00.

POCAHONTAS, RANDOLPH COUNTY.

Ascension Church.

The Rev. Rushforth Aubrey Heath, Officiating Clergyman; residence, Jonesboro; Miss Hattie Black, Treasurer.

Number of families, 6. Number of individuals, 2. Whole number baptised persons, 17. Number of confirmed persons last report, 13. Number of confirmed persons this report, 13. Sunday school—Teachers, 3; pupils, 8; total, 11. Public services—On Sunday, 24; Holy Communion celebrated, 3. Sittings in the Church, 140.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$1.75; current expenses, \$97.00; total, \$98.75. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.00; total, \$10.00. Missions—General, \$5.00; total, \$5.00; total for all objects, \$118.75.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$200.00; value of Church building, \$600.00; total value of all Parish property, \$800.00.

Treasurer informs me that certain sums had been sent to Mr. Roots but I could not be clear as to what these sums were for but conclude \$10.00, Bishop's salary and \$5.00 General Missions appropriation. I am wanting Mr. Roots to inquire as I sent the \$7.80 due at Jonesboro, General Secretary, direct. I think they have mixed them up. I fear that the appropriation to Missions has not been paid, but if it has it was sent to Mr. Roots to be forwarded.

PRESCOTT, NEVADA COUNTY.

St. James' Mission

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Lay Missionary; residence, Hope; E. R. Armistead, M. D., Warden; W. R. Bathurst, M. D., Clerk; Chas. A. Bemis, Treasurer.

Number of families, 7. Whole number baptised persons, 10. Number confirmed persons last report, 8. Number confirmed persons this report, 8. Number communicating during the year, 8. Public services—On Sunday, 22; on other days, 5; Holy Communion celebrated, 4. Sittings in the Church, 150.

Services supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$60.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.00; Missions, \$10.00; total for all objects, \$80.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$300.00; value of Church building, \$700.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.00.

Organized a Sunday school—Teachers, 3; pupils, 10; total, 13. Carpeted both Sanctuary and chancel, and placed matting on nave, painted the Altar and chancel rail and are planning for other repairs.

SEARCY, WHITE COUNTY.

St. Thomas' Church.

J. K. Crouse, Lay Reader; Thomas B. Paschal and Walter Dugan, Wardens; Tom C. Jones, Clerk; Thomas B. Paschal, Treasurer.

Number of families, 9. Number of individuals, 34. Whole number baptised persons, 34. Number of confirmed persons last report, 18. Number of confirmed persons this report, 18. Marriages, 1. Sunday school—Teachers, 2; pupils, 15; total, 17. Public services—On Sunday, 18; on other days, 28; Holy Communion celebrated, 1. Sitings in the Church, 114.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$6.92; current expenses, \$84.35; payment of debts \$500.00. Missions—Domestic, \$25.00; total, \$25.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$400.00; value of Church building, \$3,500.00; other Parish property, \$2,300.00; total value of all Parish property, \$6,200.

This Parish has been vacant since the Rev. Geo. B. Norton's Rectorate. I reached Searcy February 25, 1904. \$400.00 has been raised to carpet and complete the Church building. The members have subscribed \$300.00 toward payment of salary. Six persons are ready for confirmation. I have held three afternoon services at Judsonia, seven miles from Searcy, where there is opposition to the Church. I have held two services in the Presbyterian Church in Augusta, where the people are very enthusiastic and anxious to build a Church. Three persons wish to be confirmed at the latter place. The outlook is most encouraging in and about this Parish.

SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY.

Grace Church.

The Rev. August M. Treschow, M. A., Rector; residence, "The Rectory," Mena, Ark.; George A. Reid, Warden; Commodore Chandler, Clerk and Treasurer.

Number of families, 9. Number of individuals, 4. Whole number baptised persons, 25. Number of confirmed persons last report, 20. Number of confirmed persons this report, 24. Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 1. Confirmations, 4. Public services—On Sunday, 1; on other days, 12; Holy Communion celebrated, 2.

Services supported by annual subscriptions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$96.00. Diocesan—Assessment, \$10.00.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$500.00; value of Church building, \$500.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,000.00.

STAMPS, LAFAYETTE COUNTY.

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Lay Missionary; residence, Hope.

Number of families, 5. Number of individuals, 14. Whole number baptised persons, 14. Number of confirmed persons this report, 8. Public services—On other days, 5.

Services supported by voluntary contributions.

This place has a fine opening for the Church with its white population of 2,000 people. Archdeacon Lloyd held a two days' Mission and a lot has been promised for a Chapel to be built thereon.

STUTTGART, ARKANSAS COUNTY.

St. Alban (Bishop Chase Memorial) Church.

Ven. W. K. Lloyd, Officiating Clergyman; S. Chamberlain, Warden.

Number of families, 2. Number of individuals, 10. Whole number baptised persons, 15. Number of confirmed persons this report, 12. Confirmations, 4. Public services—On other days, 10; Holy Communion celebrated, 3.

VAN BUREN, CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Trinity Church.

The Rev. Clarence Croft Leman, Rector; residence, Van Buren; Sidney A. Pernot and Henry C. Faber, Wardens; Frank G. Kerr, Clerk; Charles A. Pape, Treasurer.

Number of families, 60. Number of individuals, 23. Whole number baptised persons, 185. Number of confirmed persons last report, 133. Number of confirmed persons this report, 114. Baptisms—Infants, 3; adults, 1. Confirmations, 12. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Sunday school—Teachers, 8; pupils, 65; total, 73. Public services—On Sunday, 45; on other days, 59; Holy Communion celebrated, 36. Sitings in the Church, 250.

Services are supported by annual subscription and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$10.90; current expenses, \$408.15; other Parochial expenses, viz: Sunday school supplies, \$48.24; Chancel window, \$80.00; repairs, etc., \$126.89; work Daughters of the King, \$2.30; total, \$773.48. Diocesan—Assessment, \$100.00; Bishop's Scholarship Fund, \$10.00; Woman's Auxiliary apportionment, \$10.00; total, \$120.00. Missions—General, \$100.05; Foreign, \$3.05; Woman's Auxiliary united offering, \$4.10; Sunday school Lenten offering, \$35.00; Diocesan apportionment for Missions, \$65.05 and \$3.05; total, \$69.00; total, \$100.10; total for all objects, \$1,001.58.

Value of all Parish land (exclusive of buildings), \$1,000.00; value of Church building, \$2,000.00; value of Rectory, \$2,500.00; other Parish

property, \$100.00; endowments or invested funds amount to, \$1,000.00; total value of all Parish property, \$7,100.00; total indebtedness of the Parish, \$262.00.

This Parish was without a Rector from June 14 to December 16, 1903, during which period there were but eleven (11) services held. The Sunday school was maintained. A Parish house begun in the spring of last year, is only now nearing completion.

Since December the chancel has been refurnished to accommodate a large vested choir, a chancel window put in; the Church has been reshingled, a new Altar has been ordered, and the Church handsomely lighted. Much of the work is still uncompleted, and does not appear among the foregoing statistics, but will be found in our next report.

The Parish is in a healthy and vigorous condition, and has a sound financial basis.

WASHINGTON, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

Grace Mission.

Prof. Alex. Crawford, Lay Missionary; residence, Hope; Wm. S. Eakin, Lay Reader; Wm. S. Eakin and C. S. Ratcliff, Wardens; Frida Jagersfeld, Treasurer.

Number of families, 7. Number of individuals, 6. Whole number baptised persons, 26. Number of confirmed persons last report, 18. Number of confirmed persons this report, 18. Public services—On Sunday, 6; on other days, 30; Holy Communion celebrated, 4. Sittings in the Church, 160.

Services are supported by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Current expenses, \$70.00. Diocesan—Missions, \$6.00. Missions—General, \$10.00; total for all objects, \$86.00.

Value of Church building, \$500.00; endowments or invested funds amount to \$86.00, total value of all Parish property, \$586.00.

Altar, sanctuary and chancel were painted and other improvements are planned.

WINSLOW, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Stephen's Church.

The Rev. Clarence C. Leman, Missionary; residence, Van Buren; Frederick D. Gregg, Lay Reader and Warden; George F. Maitland, Clerk; Albert Dunlap, M. D., Treasurer.

Number of families, 17. Number of individuals (including families), 9. Whole number baptised persons, 60. Number of confirmed persons last report, 30. Number of confirmed persons this report, 30. Baptisms—Infants, 12. Burials, 2. Sunday School—Teachers, 4:

pupils, 40; total, 44. Public services—On Sunday, 64; on other days, 8; Holy Communion celebrated, 15. Sittings in the Church, 100.

Services are supported by endowment and by voluntary contributions.

Offerings. Parochial—Communion alms, \$0.65; Missionary's traveling expenses, \$1.30; total, \$1.95. Diocesan—Assessment, \$5.00; Missions, \$2.00; total, \$7.00. Missions—General, Foreign, Domestic, Indian and Colored People, \$3.00; total, \$3.00; total for all objects, \$11.95.

Value of all Parish lands (exclusive of buildings), \$150.00; value of Church building, \$800.00; value of Rectory, \$300.00; total value of all Parish property, \$1,250.00.

APPENDIX XII.

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

	Lay Readers	Number of Families	Number of Individuals	Whole Number	Number of Con- firmed Persons— Last Report	Number of Con- firmed Persons— This Report	Baptisms— Infants	Baptisms— Adults	Baptisms—Total	Confirmations	Marriages	Burials	Sunday-School Teachers	Sunday-School Pupils	Sunday-School Total	Public Services on Sunday	Public Services on other days	Holy Commu- nion Celebrated	Number of Sit- tings in Church	Free, Assigned, Rented *	Services Supported by †
PARISHES.																					
Batesville, St. Paul's	1	45	25	130	100	100	2	5	2	3	2	...	10	80	70	100	70	30	250	a	cb
Camden, St. John's	1	23	9	100	51	68	6	1	6	15	2	...	4	24	28	87	41	14	150	a	cb
Enoka Springs, St. James's	1	24	7	70	34	34	1	1	1	6	...	...	3	20	23	36	12	11	100	a	cb
Fayetteville, St. Paul's	1	56	20	170	148	155	10	6	6	7	6	...	6	40	46	136	65	62	250	a	cb
Forrest City, Good Shepherd	1	18	16	103	47	45	7	2	9	7	4	...	4	45	46	36	25	4	250	a	cb
Fort Smith, St. John's	1	92	43	500	308	218	9	1	9	1	7	...	9	125	134	79	52	46	300	a	cb
Helena, St. John's	1	126	30	375	307	314	8	1	9	14	7	...	12	125	137	115	122	56	550	ab	cb
Hope, St. Mark's	1	22	9	45	40	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54	28	12	75	a	cb
Hot Springs, St. Luke's	1	115	60	280	213	225	24	15	24	10	4	...	7	70	77	120	90	60	300	a	cb
Little Rock, Christ Church	1	375	325	1250	630	650	31	46	46	39	14	...	46	325	371	144	68	80	750	a	cb
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.	1	150	300	850	225	283	32	18	50	17	16	...	10	150	160	104	50	52	450	a	cb
Marmoth Sp'g, St. Andrew's	1	3	4	21	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	...	5	28	33	169	96	52	180	a	cb
Marianna, St. Andrew's	1	2	6	16	13	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	18	...	150	a	cb
Morrilton, St. Agnes's	1	2	10	14	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	30	3	100	a	cb
Nashville, Redeemer	1	50	20	136	62	100	7	8	8	9	6	...	8	40	68	98	80	39	125	a	cb
Newport, St. Paul's	1	185	65	658	340	370	23	12	35	18	6	...	12	162	174	110	75	22	400	ab	cb
Pine Bluff, Trinity	1	60	22	183	133	114	3	1	4	12	1	...	8	65	73	45	59	26	250	a	cb
Van Buren, Trinity	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.																					
Arkansas City, St. Clement's	1	8	8	32	18	27	3	...	3	9	...	...	3	22	25	25	2	3	125	a	cb
Brinkley, St. Luke's	1	14	...	20	37	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	10	12	7	4	1	100	a	cb
Jonesboro, St. Mark's	1	6	10	28	30	26	2	1	3	10	...	...	2	12	16	24	30	6	150	a	cb
Prescott, St. James's	1	...	...	10	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	10	13	22	5	4	150	a	cb
Little Rock, St. Philip's	1	20	48	163	56	56	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	35	40	50	50	15	150	a	cb
Searcy, St. Thomas's	1	9	7	34	18	24	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	15	17	18	12	2	114	a	cb
Silaca Springs, Grace	1	9	4	25	20	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Washington, Grace	1	7	6	26	18	18	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	6	30	4	160	a	cb

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS—Continued.

	Parochial— Alms	Parochial— Current Expenses	Parochial— Payment of Debts	Parochial— Expenses	Diocesan— Assessment	Diocesan— Missions	Diocesan— Episcopate Fund	Diocesan— Aged and In- firm Clergy	Diocesan— Other Objects	Missions— (General)	Missions— Foreign	Theological De- partment Uni- versity of the South	Other Objects Without the Diocese	Totals
PARISHES.														
Batesville, St. Paul's	\$ 3.20	\$1,296.08	\$	\$ 126.40	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 2.70	\$17.70	\$ 13.38	\$ 50.00	\$	\$ 5.70	\$ 49.80	\$ 1,499.65
Canton, St. John's	49.62	241.15			75.00	27.50		11.25		27.50				1,085.75
Eureka Springs, St. James's		283.74			44.00	19.50				4.20				1,331.55
Frederick, St. Paul's	65.80	1,400.00		659.95	100.00	40.00	3.00	7.35	104.00	62.50		5.00	12.45	2,437.89
Gaylesville, St. Paul's	13.39	1,400.00		27.43	100.00	16.45	7.70	8.50		18.00				3,265.24
Fort Smith, God Shepherd	96	241.97		1,204.36	175.00	65.75				139.18	47.02		9.10	3,295.24
Fort Smith, St. John's	5.00	1,734.49		1,204.36	250.00	100.00	14.65			189.52		14.40	40.75	4,296.70
Helen, St. John's	50	2,704.12		709.80	20.00	4.25				30.00		4.20		4,296.70
Hopkins, St. Mark's	30	2,023.20		24.80	30.00	100.00								3,533.02
Hopkins, St. Luke's		2,600.00			30.00	100.00								3,533.02
Little Rock, Christ Church	190.25	4,000.00	954.00	1,710.54	450.00	132.26				200.61	50.00	50.00	156.32	8,000.00
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.	125.46	2,990.14	1,750.00	1,000.00	175.00	45.64	25.00			45.55	10.00	25.00		4,462.08
Marion, St. Andrew's		97.10			10.00	5.00				5.00				117.10
Marion, St. Andrew's		919.75		420.74	50.00	16.48		6.55		14.07		8.00	2.00	1,447.59
Morrilton, St. Agnes's		112.20	80.00	7.13	15.00									214.23
Nashville, Redeemer		40.00			10.00	5.00								214.23
Newark, St. Paul's	6.06	1,023.15		181.66	100.00	30.82	4.70	10.00		50.00		2.85	31.80	1,401.95
Pine Bluff, Trinity	75.00	2,300.00	1,013.00		250.00	125.00	7.75			150.00	25.00	15.00		4,160.75
Van Buren, Trinity	10.80	498.15		264.43	100.00	34.50			20.00	31.45	3.05		4.10	906.54
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.														
Arkansas City, St. Clement's	10.00	270.00		100.00	20.00	13.00		4.00		13.00			7.20	437.20
Brinkley, St. Luke's		50.00			12.00	1.00				1.00				64.00
Brinkley, St. Mark's	9.75	230.00		15.00		6.75	1.00			6.75		5.00		264.25
Princeton, St. James's		40.00			10.00	5.00				5.00				60.00
Little Rock, St. Phillip's														
Searcy, St. Thomas's	6.92	54.35	5.00			12.50				12.50				121.27
Silvan Springs, Grace		58.00												108.00
Washington, Grace		70.00			10.00	4.00				8.00				88.00

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS—Continued.

Parochial— (Communion) Aims	Parochial— (Current Expense	Parochial— Payment of Debts	Parochial— (Other Expenses	Diocesan— Assessment	Diocesan— Missions	Diocesan— Permanent Episcopate Fund	Diocesan— Aged and In- firm Clergy	Diocesan— Other Objects	Missions— General	Missions— Foreign	Theological De- partment Uni- versity of the South	Other Objects Without the Diocese	Totals
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS.													
Argenta, St. Luke's													
Baring Cross, St. Barnabas's													
Berryville, St. John's													
Blytheville	3 00	75 00											78 00
Booneville, Ascension													
Clarendon, Christ													
Conway, St. Peter's													
Dardanelle, St. Paul's													
Dermott		45 00											45 00
Des Arc, St. James's													
Devall's Bluff, All Saints													
Dumas, Grace		75 00			1 75				1 75				78 50
El Dorado													
Foreman, St. Barnabas's		150 00		10 00	3 15				4 00				167 15
Fulton, Immanuel		75 00		5 00	5 00				8 00				88 00
Harrison, St. James's													
Lake Village, Immanuel	8 00	200 00		150 00	20 00	8 50			8 50				455 00
Lonoke, St. Mark's													
Medford, St. Mary's		200 10											351 20
Mena, Christ				25 00	8 05				8 05				
Monticello, St. Mary's													
Oceola, Calvary	2 10	98 00		5 00	1 25				1 25				106 00
Paragould, Holy Communion	5 00	100 00		5 00	1 25				1 25				112 50
Pocahontas, Ascension	1 75	97 00		10 00	2 50				2 50				113 75
Rogers, St. Andrew's													
Stamps													
Smithgall	65			1 20	5 00	2 00			3 00				11 95
Winflow, St. Stephen's													
Wynne, St. James's													
Total	\$222 65	\$25,777 70	\$3,304 00	\$6,813 01	\$2,317 00	\$945 08	\$553 75	\$908 10	\$1,057 60	\$1,057 01	\$415 21	\$337 50	\$12,149 13

TABULATED PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—*Concluded.*

PARISHES.	Value of all Parish Land exclusive of Buildings.	Value of Church Build- ings.	Value of Rectory.	Value of other Parish Property.	Endow't or other In- vested Funds amount to.	Total Value of all Parish Property.	Total Indebtedness of Parish.
Batesville, St. Paul's	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$	\$	\$ 6,000	\$
Camden, St. John's	1,000	3,500	800			5,300	
Eureka Springs, St. James's	1,500	500		500		2,500	
Fayetteville, St. Paul's	2,000	4,000	3,000		1,000	10,000	1,000
Forrest City, Good Shepherd	1,800	3,400	850	450		6,500	
Fort Smith, St. John's	5,000	20,000	3,500			28,500	1,350
Helena, St. John's	3,000	30,000	3,500	3,000		40,100	
Hope, St. Mark's	800		900	200	1,031	3,031	
Hot Springs, St. Luke's	10,000	17,000		5,000		32,000	
Little Rock, Christ Church	16,000	80,000	6,000	1,500		83,500	2,200
Little Rock, Trinity Cath.	10,000	25,000	3,000			38,000	
Mammoth Sp'g, St. Andrew's	500	1,500	500			2,500	
Marianna, St. Andrew's	500	2,500	2,000			5,000	
Morrilton, St. Agnes's	300	1,300	400			2,000	36
Nashville, Redeemer	100	750		100	75	1,025	
Newport, St. Paul's	1,000	500	1,500			3,000	
Pine Bluff, Trinity	6,000	17,500	5,000			28,500	1,500
Van Buren, Trinity	1,000	2,500	2,500	100	1,000	7,100	282
ORGANIZED MISSIONS.							
Arkansas City, St. Clement's	600	1,000				1,600	
Brinkley, St. Luke's	250	1,000		120		1,370	
Jonesboro, St. Mark's	1,000	1,400	1,400	400		4,200	497
Little Rock, St. Phillip's	1,000	500	300			1,800	
Prescott, St. James's	300	700				1,000	
Searcy, St. Thomas's	400	3,500	2,300			6,200	
Siloam Springs, Grace	500	500				1,000	
Washington, Grace		500			86	586	
UNORGANIZED MISSIONS							
Baring Cross, St. Barnabas's					100	100	
Berryville, St. John's						1,000	
Booneville, Ascension	250	750				1,000	
Clarendon, Christ					100	100	
Conway, St. Peter's	300	1,000				1,300	
Dardanelle, St. Paul's	100	500	50			650	
Dermott							
Des Arc, St. James's							
Devall's Bluff, All Saints							
Dumas, Grace							
El Dorado	500					500	
Foreman, St. Barnabas's	250	800				1,050	
Fulton	400				75	475	
Gillett, Archangel	225					225	
Lonoke, St. Mark's	400	800				1,200	
Lake Village, Immanuel	1,000	800				1,800	
Medford, St. Mary's							
Monticello, St. Mary's	600	600				1,200	
Mena, Christ	300	750	500			1,550	
Osceola, Calvary	300	1,200				1,500	50
Paragould, Holy Communion							
Pocahontas, Ascension	200	600				800	
Rogers, St. Andrew's							
Winslow, St. Stephen's	150	800	300			1,250	
Total	\$71,325	\$209,650	\$40,300	\$12,070	\$3,467	\$336,812	\$6,895



MISSIONS

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means apportion the sum of \$2,500 among the several Parishes and Missions as a minimum amount to be raised for missions, to be collected in such manner as each Parish or Mission may determine, and paid quarterly to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions, who shall retain 50 per cent of the amounts so paid for the work in this Diocese, and remit quarterly the remaining 50 per cent to the Treasurer of the General Board at New York.

GENERAL CLERGY RELIEF FUND. — Corporate Title, "Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen."

The general and official society for clerical relief covering the whole Church. Canon 8, Title 3. The General Convention recommends Quinquagesima Sunday for an annual offering from every Church, and that a percentage of the Communion Alms be given to this fund.

Assistant Treasurer and Financial Agent.

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NOTICE

The Thirty-Third Annual Council will convene (D. V.) on the second Wednesday in May (10th), 1905, at St. Luke's Church, Hot Springs.



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